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Some tinsel, some lights & it's ready to go

City workers tilted up the official "holiday tree" at city hall's front lawn on Wednesday, setting the stage for festivities Friday.

Public works employee Dan DeMars said that the tree, about 38 feet tall before being cut to fit the tree stand, was donated by Brent Beebe of Help-U-Sell Realty. Beebe owns property on Linden Road in West Sacramento that used to be a Christmas tree farm, and the tree is a survivor of that era.

Raising the tree is an annual November event at city hall -- but getting the three city employees above to pose for a News-Ledger photograph wasn't easy.

"We usually get done and out of here before you show up," cracked to a News-Ledger photographer.

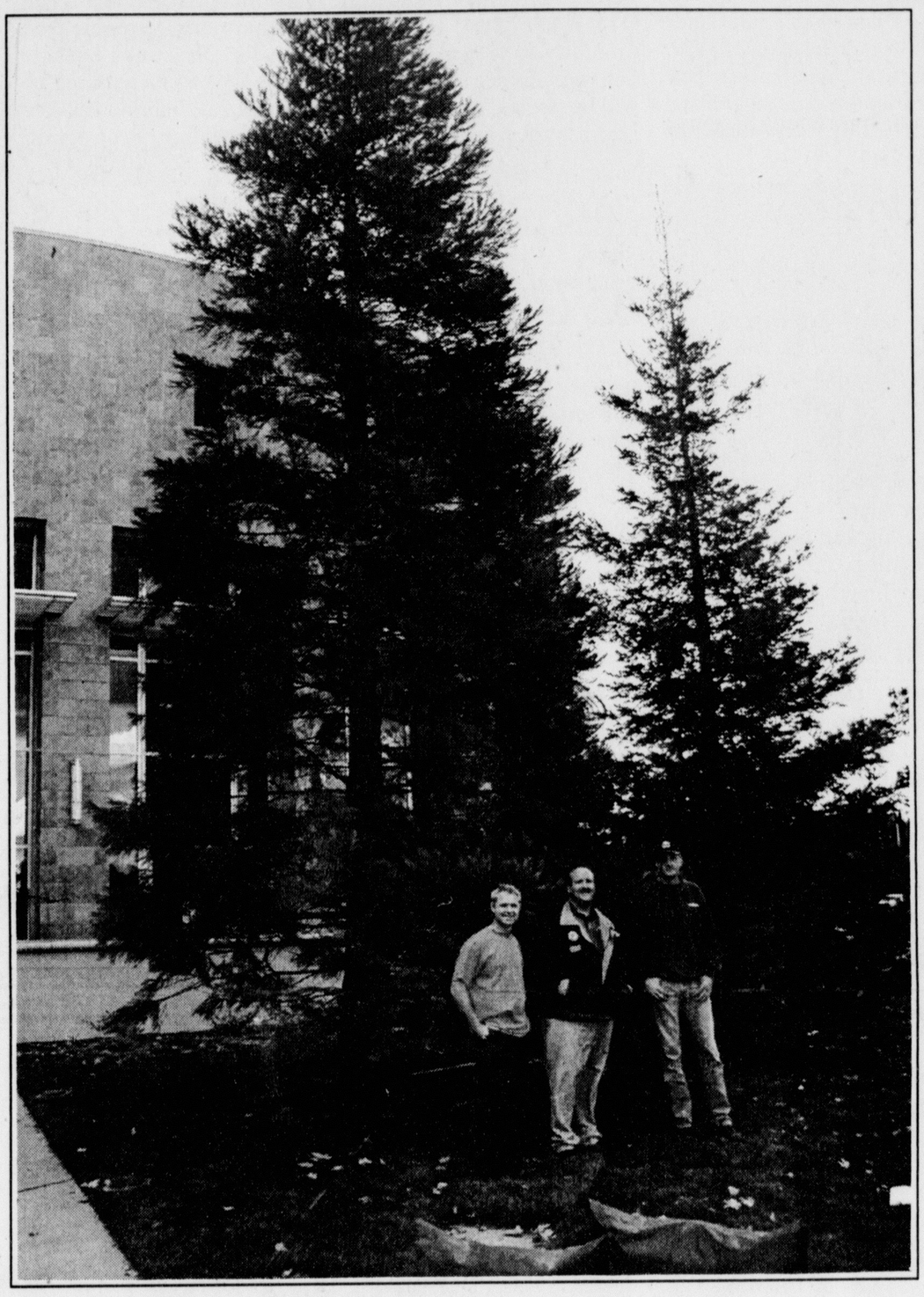
The annual tree lighting is scheduled for 6 p.m. in front of the Civic Center, followed by the Jingle Bell Bash at 7 p.m.-9 p.m. in the Galleria. The address is 1110 West Capitol Ave.

Presented by the city of West Sacramento as a community "social," the Jingle Bell Bash rocks and rolls to live music by "Four Barrel." The Bash includes games and crafts, finger foods and beverages. For more information, call Parks and Recreation at (916) 617-4620.

Just prior to the start of the Jingle Bell Bash, the West Sacramento Chamber of Commerce continues the tradition of the holiday tree lighting at 6 p.m. with a program of music and carols, featuring the River City Concert Band, the Russian Baptist Church, the Our Lady of Grace school choir, and Bridgeway Island elementary school. Refreshments include hot cider, coffee and cookies. The event also marks the first appearance this season of jolly old Santa, who'll be posing for family photos. Call the chamber for more information, (916) 371-7042.

To provide for pedestrian safety, a section of West Capitol Avenue in front of the Civic Center will be temporarily closed to vehicles during the event. Motorists may want to use the Merkley Avenue as an east-west alternative.

The City of West Sacramento's Art Schroeder contributed to this News-Ledger report.



Damodar Devine (left) of the West Sacramento Parks Department, with parks chief Jim Thompson (center) and the public works department's Dan DeMars.

Salud Clinic, care provider to many lower-income residents, turns 35

West Sacramento's Salud Clinic today celebrates its 35th birthday. Festivities are scheduled for 5:30-7:30 p.m. at 500 Jefferson Blvd., Building B.

The clinic is operated by the non-profit CommuniCare Health Centers, which has "sister" facilities in other parts of the county, including the John H. Jones Clinic also located in West Sacramento.

"Salud Clinic has a long history of serving the health care needs of the underserved residents of West Sacramento," said CommuniCare Executive Director Robin Affrime in a statement to the media. "It has a wonderful tradition of serving the community and continues to play an important role as the main provider of primary care for thousands of people every year. It's amazing to think that generations of West Sacramento residents have grown up depending upon Salud Clinic to provide care for the health of their families."

The clinic treats patients regardless of their ability to pay. Last year, the CommuniCare system saw 20,000 Yolo residents in 80,000 patient visits.

Salud's longtime site after being founded in 1971 was near the I Street Bridge in the city's northeast.

Wallace to be new president of chamber

Following an annual election, the West Sacramento Chamber of Commerce has a new set of officers and directors.

Andy Wallace of Wallace-Kuhl Associates will take over from John Leonard of Leonard Development as the organization's president.

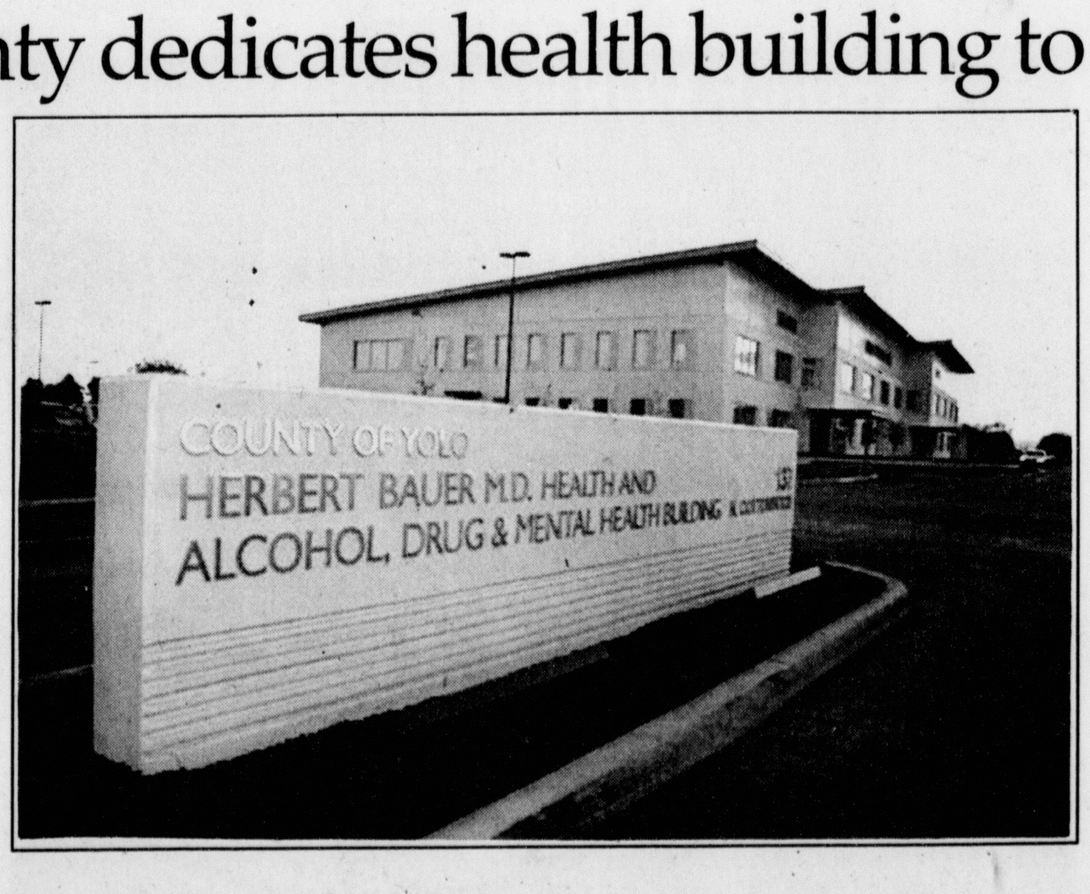
Todd Chambers of Richland Planned Communities will be the new vice president, Warren Smith of Prosper Publications will be second vice president, and Denice Seals of River Bend Medical Associates will be treasurer.

New board members will be Chris Bradford of Edward Jones Investments, Bob Hemond of the Sacramento River Cats, Tom Lumbrazo of University Park and Grant Deary of Nor-Cal Beverage. They join returning directors Marissa Juhler of Waste Management of Woodland, John Shorey of Harsch Investment Properties, JoAnn Moffett of Miyamoto International, Dave Dove of Collings West Sacramento Teen Center, Paul Kolarik of First Northern Bank, David Stroud of ASB Properties and Suzette Gibson of SAFE Credit Union.

Yolo county dedicates health building to honor pioneer M.D.

From Beth Gabor
Public Information Officer
County of Yolo

The Yolo County Board of Supervisors on Nov. 21 held a ceremony dedicating the new Herbert Bauer, M.D. Health and Alcohol, Drug & Mental Health building and honoring former Public Health Officer, Herbert Bauer, M.D. for whom the building is named. Also honored were the Reverend Philip W. Walker and Dr. Captane P. Thomson for whom the two conference rooms were named. The new building was constructed to consolidate a majority of the Health and Alcohol, Drug & Mental Health programs currently provided by Yolo County, and was designed in a manner to be more efficient, and more environmentally sound and sustainable than the existing buildings.



LEFT: new building consolidates services from several county sites, and includes 'green' design ideas

RIGHT: Herbert Bauer, M.D., the facility's namesake

Earlier this year the Board of Supervisors unanimously approved naming the building in honor of Dr. Bauer who began his career in Yolo County in 1955 as Public Health Officer. Practicing out of the basement of the courthouse, Dr. Bauer personally conducted well-baby clinics, parenting classes, polio immunization clinics and tuberculosis detection. During his tenure, Dr. Bauer brought the first family planning clinic to Yolo County and advocated at the Legislature and at the Board of Supervisors to bring the first Short-Doyle program (financing for mental health services) to Yolo County in 1965.

The new building promotes sustainable design by including roof solar panels which will provide 40 percent of the building's energy needs and reduce energy costs by $27,000 annually. Beyond the solar cell project, the building includes bicycle racks, lockers and showers for bike commuters, preferred parking for alternative vehicles, a cool roof coating, and reduced use

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Another 'Black Friday' has mercifully come & gone

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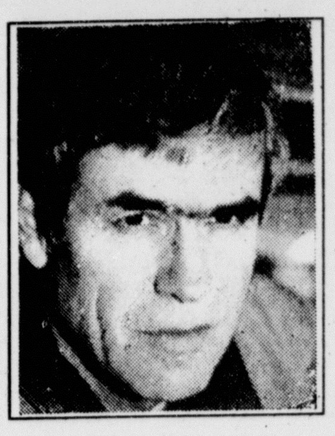

By Daryl Fisher

When I finally crawled out of bed on Thanksgiving Day last Thursday, the first thing I went in search of was my morning copy of the Sacramento Bee, which, for a change, was actually resting on my front porch. As I reached down, it suddenly dawned on me that the darn thing was even bigger (and heavier) than the typical Sunday paper, which can of course give a person a hernia if he or she isn't careful when they pick it up.

Once back inside the house with my ten pounds or so of newsprint, I plopped down in my favorite rocking chair and began to thumb through it. Much to my surprise, there was very little real news to be found anywhere in the paper, national or local. Instead, there was countless (and very colorful) ads suggesting that just about every item in every store in Sacramento was (or was soon to be) on sale. In fact, the more I looked at all the ads, it became obvious that if one really wanted to take advantage of them, they were going to have to get up the next day at the crack of dawn, bundle up against the chilly weather that was being forecast, and be one of the "early-bird shoppers" expected to swoop up all the hottest of the hot deals.

"Give me all those ads," said my wife upon spotting me going through them.

"Why?"

"Because you're the only person in the house who isn't going to read and use them."

"I might."

"Daryl," patiently explained my wife, "there is nothing you hate more in life than shopping in crowded stores, and tomorrow is going to be Black Friday."

What in the world is Black Friday, I wanted to ask, having never heard the term before, but since I hate to sound super- stupid in front of others (especially family members), I politely handed over all the ads and then headed for my computer.

Come to find out, Black Friday is the one day of the year when more than 60 million American shoppers trudge off to find the best deals on Christmas presents. And since Black Friday is part of a three-day weekend, almost 140 million frenzied shoppers were expected to participate this year. I also learned that many stores open their doors at midnight on Black Friday, but for those who don't, long lines of eager shoppers start lining up in front of them long before the sun begins to rise.

Personally, I wouldn't get up at 4 a.m. on a cold November morning to have sex with Reese Witherspoon (my favorite movie star), much less to stand in a long line of crazed Christmas present shoppers, but when I mentioned to my daughter that I would be staying as far away from shopping malls as humanly possible on Thanksgiving weekend in general and Black Friday in particular, she seemed to think I was the crazy one.

"But the deals really are incredible," my daughter explained to me, "and Dallas (my son-in-law-to-be) is planning on being one of the very first shoppers in line tomorrow morning."

"Really? Why?"

"Because he says he can get a super deal on the Christmas present he wants to buy me."

Anyway, as my daughter continued to discuss some of the great buys she had seen in the Black Friday ads, I thought back to that great old column that poor old out-of-touch Dear Abby used to re-run each year at Thanksgiving time, which went something like this: "Today is Thanksgiving Day, so take some time to reflect upon all the things for which you are thankful. How's your health? Not so good? Well, thank God you've lived this long. A lot of people haven't. How's your pocketbook? Thin? Well, most of the world is a whole lot poorer. In fact, one-third of the people in the world will go to bed hungry tonight."

I then shook my head slowly from side to side and said to my daughter, "Is it just me, or does the real meaning of the Thanksgiving holiday seem to be getting lost in all this crass commercialism?"

"By the way," said my daughter, "Dallas says those fancy golf clubs you've been thinking about getting are going to be 40 percent off tomorrow."

"40 percent off -- you've got to be kidding me -- at which store?"

"I'm not sure. Dallas knows though."

"Well don't just sit there, get him on the phone!"

Joke of the week: *During a visit to a mental asylum, a visitor asked the Director what the criterion was that defined whether or not a patient should be institutionalized.*

"Well," said the Director, "we usually fill up a bathtub; then we offer a teaspoon, a teacup, and a big bucket to the patient and ask him or her to empty the bathtub."

"Oh, I understand," said the visitor. "A normal person would use the bucket because it's bigger than the spoon or the teacup and would definitely empty the bathtub faster."

"No," said the Director, "a normal person would just pull the plug. So, would you like a bed by the wall or one near the window?"

Cookie-decorating at library

The Annual Cookie Decorating Program at the Arthur F. Turner Library will be held on December 2nd, starting promptly at 11 a.m. In addition to cookie decorating, there will be stories, book displays, crafts and a special visitor from the North Pole to round out this fun event. So bring your imagination, and a can or other non-perishable food item for Christmas baskets which will be distributed by the East Yolo Information Center in December, to the Arthur F. Turner Library, which is located at 1212 Merkley Avenue in West Sacramento, on December 2nd.

This program is sponsored by the West Sacramento Friends of the Library.

'ACROSS THE BRIDGE'

Events around the region

New Crocker Art Museum exhibit

The California Gallery at the Crocker Art Museum was recently installed in the way the Crocker family originally hung their collection, allowing visitors to experience a Victorian-era museum. More than 150 paintings are now displayed "salon style" in the California Gallery, enabling visitors to experience more of the Crocker's permanent collection.

The Crocker Art Museum is located at 216 O Street in downtown Sacramento. Museum hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Tuesday to Sunday. For more information call 264-5423 or visit crockerartmuseum.org.

SCC music recital

The Sacramento City College Music Department will present its Fall Applied Music Recital on December 14th at noon in the SCC Little Theatre, Room 6A. SCC is located at 3835 Freeport Boulevard in Sacramento. Participants in the recital are SCC music students. Admission is free. For more information call 558-2515.

Sacred African tribal objects

Sacramento State's University Library Gallery's newest exhibit will be presenting authentic African tribal masks and figurines beginning December 1st. The exhibit will feature tribal masks and figures that were useful to the tribes in a time without science, technology and modern medicine. Several African cultures will be represented. Sacramento State University is located at 6000 J Street in Sacramento. For more information call 278-6156.

Singers wanted

Sacramento's Voice of the Valley Chorus of Sweet Adelines, International is welcoming new women singers interested in singing this unique form of 4-part capella harmony barbershop style. Women of all ages who love to sing are invited to learn the art of singing barbershop harmony with the award-winning Voice of the Valley Chorus every Thursday, beginning November 2nd, from 7-9 p.m. at Sierra Arden United Church of Christ, 890 Morse Avenue in Sacramento. For more information call 791-1103 or go to vovsacto@yahoo.com.

Rose pruning clinics

The Sacramento Historic City Cemetery, located at Broadway and 10th Street in Sacramento, will present two

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Obituaries

Maria Guadalupe Gutierrez

Maria Gutierrez passed away peacefully with her family by her bedside on November 18, 2006 in Sacramento. She was born on October 15, 1956 in Monterrey, Mexico to her loving parents, Amalia and Tomas Guerra.

Maria was the beloved mother of Jesse, Michael, Elena and Elise, and the adored grandmother of five. She also leaves behind her sister and best friend, Rosalinda Green;, her two brothers, Jose and Ruben Guerra; and 16 nieces and nephews. Her smile and laughter always filled every room she entered and she will be forever missed and loved by all who knew her.

A memorial service celebrating Maria's life was held on November 28, 2006 at River Cities Funeral Chapel in West Sacramento.

Geraldine Sweeney, shown with her late husband, John Sweeney

Geraldine Sweeney

Geraldine Sweeney passed away in Sacramento on November 21, 2006. She was the beloved wife of the late John Sweeney; the beloved mother of Charlotte Lonzo (Gilbert) and Eve Giordano (Frank); the loving grandmother of Cheryl, Rick, Gina and Tony; and the great grandmother of Ashley, Sierra and Eva. She was very active in the Ladies Auxiliary of VFW Post #8762.

Mrs. Sweeney's family also wants to extend a special thanks to the staff at Collins Manor for the tender care that was given to Geraldine.

Friends are invited to attend funeral services on December 5, 2006 at 11 a.m. in the River Cities Funeral Chapel in West Sacramento. Entombment will be in St. Mary's Cemetery in Sacramento. Memorials are preferred to the Ladies Auxiliary, 905 Drever Street, W. Sacramento, CA 95691.

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Now here's a tip! by Jo Ann Derson

• If you're having trouble with your car's battery, follow this tip from B.D. of Virginia: "Disconnect the battery terminals and clean them with a wire brush. Reconnect and smear with petroleum jelly. The jelly will prevent corrosion and help keep the battery cranking all winter."

• Here's a reminder from J.E. of Colorado: "Just because it's winter doesn't mean you can skip the sunscreen — especially if you live in a snowy climate. Remember that sunlight reflects off white snow, and it intensifies the effect. Lather up, people. If you get one that is moisturizing, it'll soothe dry skin as well."

• "When doing my holiday shopping, I carry a quart-size Zip-lock baggie in my purse. I put all receipts in it, and I ask for multiple gift receipts to be put in the bag with the merchandise. I can keep it all together until after the holidays, so I always have a receipt handy if something needs to be returned or exchanged." — C.L. in Missouri

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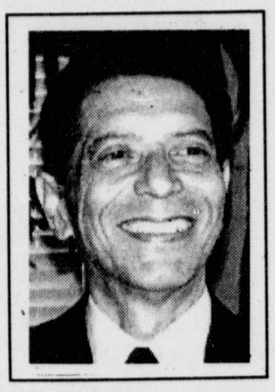
By Rich Novoa



By Richard Novoa

I was enjoying my Thanksgiving weekend in San Diego and had the opportunity to attend the Raiders game against the Chargers and witnessed one of the NFL's greatest running backs in history do his thing. I am taking about the Chargers running back, LaDainian Tomlinson, who is a treat to watch in person and well worth the price of admission.

The All-Pro running back had a hand in all three San Diego touchdowns, running for two and throwing for another in the Chargers' 21-14 victory over the Silver and Black. He ran for 109 yards on 19 carries and his 19-yard touchdown pass really stunned the Raiders goal line defense.

He continues rewriting the Chargers and NFL record books. His second-quarter touchdown gave him 20 rushing touchdowns, breaking the Chargers record of 19 set by Chuck Muncie in 1981. Tomlinson also broke the team scoring record and now has 144 points this season, topping the 135 by kicker John Carney in 1994. He is a fantasy football manager's dream player.

LT has scored 24 touchdowns this season to tie Priest Holmes (2002) and John Riggins (1983) for fifth-most touchdowns in a season. The Chargers star needs four touchdowns to tie Shaun Alexander's NFL record of 28, set last season.

The Chargers (9-2) are running away with the AFC West Division by riding the LT train and only have the Indianapolis Colts (10-1) in their way on their Super Bowl bound train to Miami.

Kings Korner

The Kings (7-5) have been struggling a little bit on defense as they try to adjust to the return of 7-foot center Brad Miller to the starting lineup. Miller, who has been out since November 4th, returned to the Kings lineup on Saturday night to contribute only 2 points but his 15 minutes on the court was more important in their 105-85 win over Portland.

The good news for the Kings is the emergent of Kevin Martin on the NBA scoring scene. K-Mart feasted after Thanksgiving on Friday night in Seattle by scoring 35 points and then followed up with desert the following night with 27 points in their win over the Blazers at the Arco Arena. Martin is providing the Kings with that outside shooting touch that has been missing since Wells defected to Houston. K-Mart is taking the pressure off Bibby and Artest to carry the team and his scoring contribution is necessary to win and survive in the NBA playoff hunt - Bonzi who!

K-Mart is now among the league's best scorers, ranking 14th overall (24.9 per game) and boasting the best field-goal percentage (54.5 percent) and three-point percentage (49 percent) of any player in the top 15.

The Kings will depart on Friday night (5:30 p.m.) to Texas for a crucial two game road against the red-hot Dallas Mavs (10-4) and if that wasn't enough they have a ball game the following night against San Antonio (11-4). Next home game is on Monday, December 4th against Orlando (7:00 p.m.).

NFL Week 13

The Raiders (2-9) did it again by losing in the fourth quarter after seeming to have victory in their grasp. The Raiders couldn't stop the LT train, who is without a doubt the leagues MVP. The Silver and Black have lost their last three games in the final minutes after victory was a sure bet. The only thing you can bet on now with the Raiders is that it's never over until it's really over!

The Raiders (2-9), who have lost four in a row, lost their 13th consecutive game against the AFC West since 2004 and have lost nine in a row on the road since last season.

Lucky for the Raiders (-3) and their fans that the Houston Texans (3-8) are coming to town (1:00 p.m.-ch.13) to provide a little relieve or maybe the Raiders will lose this game to insure the first pick in next years draft.

The 49ers (5-6) followed the Raiders playbook by losing in the last 27 seconds of their 20-17 loss to the Rams (5-6) and are now tied with the St. Louis for second place in the NFC West behind the Seahawks. A Niners victory would have helped in their quest to make the playoffs but instead dropped them back into the wild-card pack that includes the Panthers, Rams, Falcons, Giants, Eagles, and Vikings, who are all either 5-6 or 6-5.

Running back Frank Gore, with the help of his offensive line, continues to dominate his opponents running for 134 yards against the Rams. But the bad news was he sprained his ankle and for the second consecutive week failed to finish the ballgame. The Niners had a crucial fourth and inches play in the red zone but without Gore's services coach Nolan settled for a 24-yard field goal with 3:54 remaining in the game and that's all the Rams needed to spark their fourth quarter winning drive.

The 49ers (+7 ½) will need Gore next week when they travel to New Orleans (10 a.m.-FOX) to face the South division leading Saints (7-4).

Aztecs Picks

Aztec improved his overall record (26-23-1) during Thanksgiving week (3-1) with wins by the Chiefs, 49ers (+6) and on Monday night with the Seahawks (-9) but the Dawg lost his "College Lick of the Week" (7-3) pick when the Texas Longhorns lost their starting QB in the first quarter and their chance at a BCS game.

This week Aztecs 'Lick of the Week" is the USC Trojans (-14) against UCLA and in the NFL the Dawg counting on the Giants (+3 ½) to bounce back at home against Dallas and in Chicago, Da Bears (-9 ½) will be eating Vikings and on Monday night the Eagles (+2) will keep their playoff hopes alive against the Panthers.

Between the Ropes

Boxing returns to the Arco Arena on Thursday, November 30th (7:30 p.m.) featuring Woodland's Vicente Escobedo in the main event. The Don Chargin promotion will feature five additional bouts and tickets are available at the Arco Arena Box Office.

Enjoy your day – see ya next week!

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Sports QUIZ

by Chris Richcreek

1. Name the oldest first-time winner of a Gold Glove award who was not a pitcher.
2. Against which team did Hank Aaron hit the home run that tied Babe Ruth's record of 714?
3. Who was the last rookie before Tampa Bay's Cadillac Williams in 2005 to start his career with back-to-back 100-yard games?
4. Name the three Atlantic 10 men's basketball teams to reach the NCAA Tournament Sweet 16 since 2000.
5. What team holds the NHL record for most consecutive playoff victories?
6. Who was the only driver to win NASCAR's Pepsi 400 (formerly the Firecracker 400) three consecutive years?
7. Who played in the first all-U.S. women's tennis final at Wimbledon?

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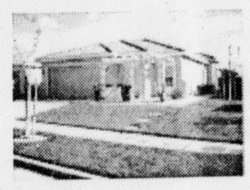

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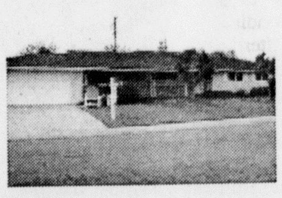

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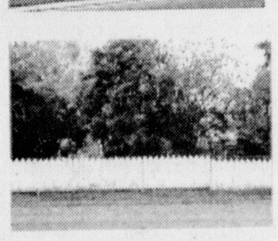

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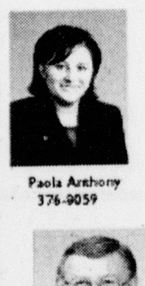

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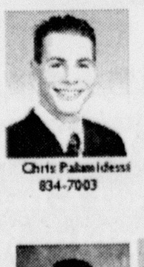

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Antique bicycles

"Cycle through History: Bikes, Trails & People" will be the featured exhibit at the Folsom History Museum opening October 28th and continuing through January 7, 2007. Antique bicycles will be featured and the exhibit will also cover the history of the American River Bike Trail, extending from Sacramento to Folsom.

The Folsom History Museum is located at 823 Sutter Street in Folsom. For more information about their exhibits call 985-2707.

Wildlife tour

The Stone Lake National Wildlife Refuge will have "Trail Days" on December 9th and 23rd, beginning at 7:30 a.m. A free docent guided walk will begin at 9 a.m. from the trail head. To reach the refuge trail head, take Interstate 5 to the Elk Grove Boulevard exit, turn west, and park; the refuge trail head is adjacent to the highway.

The 3-mile hike leads you to the wildlife viewing platform, overlooking seasonal wetlands. Dress appropriately and bring binoculars. For more information call 775-4420.

Down syndrome information

The Down Syndrome Information Alliance Education Series features programs on the first Tuesday of each month with the hope of improving the knowledge of individuals and families affected by Down syndrome. Experts in education, advocacy, health care, etc., make presentations and a free light dinner and childcare is provided. The Down Syndrome Information Alliance meets at the Sutter Cancer Center, 2800 L Street in Sacramento. For more information, call 658-1686 or visit www.downsyndromeinfo.org.

Alzheimer's society meets

The Alzheimer's Aid Society of Northern California Support Group for the Memory Impaired will meet the 2nd and 4th Wednesday in December at 10:30 a.m. at the Alzheimer's Aid Society Office, 2641 Cottage Way, Suite #4 in Sacramento. For more information on other related groups and meetings, call 448-7001.

Widowed persons meet

The Widowed Persons Association of California encourages widowed men and women to come to Sunday Support get-togethers each Sunday from 3-5 p.m. at the Widowed Persons Association office, located at 2628 El Camino Ave.

Wolk thanked for advocacy

Mayor Christopher Cabaldon presented a city council proclamation to Assemblywoman Lois Wolk on Nov. 15, noting Wolk's advocacy for the community on issues including environmental quality, public health, education and flood control. The presentation was part of the West Sacramento City Council meeting.

Wolk, with fellow Assembly Democrat David Jones of Sacramento, also received recognition from the nonprofit Floodplain Management Association this month for their work on flood control issues.

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of potable water for site irrigation as well as reduced use of landscaping maintenance chemicals. The building was constructed with materials containing at least 10% recycled content. A minimum of 75 percent of construction waste has been recycled or salvaged.

"The opening of this building will allow us to more efficiently serve the citizens of Yolo County in one location with modern facilities," said Yolo County Board of Supervisors Chairman Frank Sieferman, Jr. Our old quarters served the county well for many decades, but consolidating services into one building will save the public time and money, as well as providing a healthy, efficient and environmentally conscious workplace."

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The Garden Bug

Praying mantises as pets

There are many species of mantids, ranging from an inch in size up to several inches. Their expected life span can be up to one year. Some look like twigs or dead leaves; others are brightly colored or look like blossoms. They feed mainly on other insects and spiders.

Books

Doc Holliday: The Life and Legend
By Gary L. Roberts
(Wiley, $30)
Reviewed by Larry Cox

Doc Holliday loved the saloons and gambling halls of the Midwest and probably would have remained in that region if it hadn't been for the incredible restlessness that permeated much of his adult life.

Born John Henry Holliday in Georgia in 1852, he attended the Pennsylvania College of Dental Surgery. After completing his studies he moved to Dallas, where he continued his advanced education as a gambler, two-fisted drinker and gunfighter. He drifted throughout the West, befriending Wyatt Earp in Dodge City. Later in what would become one of the most famous 15 seconds in American history, Holliday and Earp participated in the bloody gunfight at the OK Corral in Tombstone, Ariz.

Writing about a larger-than-life character such as Holliday is always tricky. Roberts, a recognized historian of the American West, says in his foreward that Holliday remains a mystery, and without a diary, letters or other pertinent materials, countless questions will forever remain unanswered.

Even so, the author manages to document Holliday's colorful life and times in a most satisfying book that is well-researched and crisply written. Roberts assures his readers that he has gotten as close to the truth as possible, even though his book won't be the last one written about this truly elusive man. Through Roberts' eye for historical detail and a no-nonsense writing style, Holliday emerges briefly from the dust and shadows of history for perhaps the first time.

Books reviewed in this column are available online or at your local bookstore.

Strange BUT TRUE

By Samantha Weaver

• Perhaps unsurprisingly, it was feminist author Gloria Steinem who defined a liberated woman as "one who has sex before marriage and a job after." It should be noted, however, that she made that observation in the early days of the feminist movement, before those activities became quite as widespread as they are today.

• Those who study such things claim that the more passionate the kiss, the more muscles are used by the kissers. Makes sense, once you think about it.

• As long as it doesn't get hotter than 60 degrees, experts say that the average person can live 11 days without water.

• If you're one of the millions of Americans who generously donate to a variety of worthy causes, I hope you won't let the following fact discourage you: Bill Gates, founder of Microsoft and the world's richest man, and his wife, Melinda, have given away more money than any other couple in the world — more than $30 billion so far.

• Famed star of the silver screen Spencer Tracy, when asked what he looks for in a script, replied, "Days off."

• Francesca Trito was happily married to a well-dressed man in Spain — that is, until she learned her husband's dirty little secret. He got nearly all of his clothes off corpses he dug up in a cemetery near their home. After that discovery, Francesca wasted no time in divorcing him.

• The magazine PR Week once asked those in the public-relations industry to name the worst people they ever had to work with. This is the list that they came up with: Mike Tyson, Eminem, Kathie Lee Gifford, Martha Stewart, Dr. Laura Schlessinger, Dennis Rodman, Woody Allen and Sean "P. Diddy" Combs.

ANSWERS to Sports Quiz (P. 3) & Puzzles (P. 8)

Weekly SUDOKU — Answer

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9	2	1	4	5	3	7	8	6
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Go Figure! — answers

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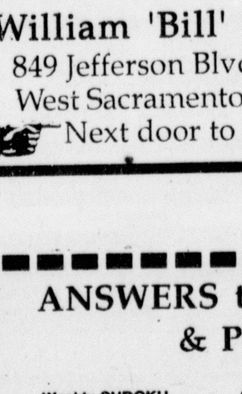

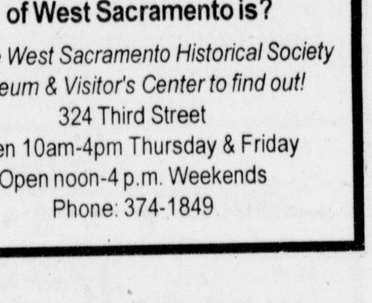

Differences: 1. Mustache is added. 2. Glasses are removed. 3. Boots are different. 4. Pocket is added. 5. Pants are different. 6. Button is missing.

Answers

1. Wade Boggs was 36 when he won his first Gold Glove in 1994.
2. Aaron hit No. 714 against Cincinnati in 1974.
3. The Indianapolis Colts' Edgerrin James in 1999.
4. Temple in 2001, and Xavier and St. Joseph's in 2004.
5. The Pittsburgh Penguins ran off 14 consecutive victories between the 1992 and 1993 playoffs.
6. David Pearson in 1972-74.
7. Billy Jean King beat Chris Evert in straight sets in 1973.

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POLICE LOG

Nov. 22

Police contacted a man behind a West Capitol supermarket after receiving a report of suspicious circumstances. The man was found to be in possession of methamphetamine. He was jailed.

Nov. 22

A traffic stop resulted in a DUI arrest at Jefferson/I-80. A loaded, concealed firearm was later found in the vehicle, and the man was charged with both DUI and possession of a concealed firearm.

Nov. 23

Police conducted a vehicle stop at Hobson and Kegle and found the man was driving under the influence. The driver was tested with a blood alcohol level at about twice the legal limit. He was booked.

Nov. 23

Police were dispatched to the 3400-block of Evergreen in response to a report of a possible vehicle burglary. A suspect was found in possession of burglary tools, and was jailed.

Nov. 23

A woman was arrested for DUI after a traffic stop on the 3000-block of West Capitol.

Nov. 24

Police saw four people park and start to walk away from a suspicious vehicle near Rollins and Lewiston streets. Two suspects fled from officers, but two were caught and arrested for being under the influence of marijuana. The "suspicious" vehicle was towed.

Nov. 24

Officers located a stolen car near Michigan and Jefferson, and arrested the driver without incident.

Nov. 24

Police were dispatched to the scene of a traffic collision at Douglas & Lighthouse. A vehicle involved turned out to have just been stolen. A suspect was seen running from the scene and was found hiding in a van at the 800-block of Elder Drive. He had suffered a severe hip laceration and was released for medical attention; police expected to arrest him at a later time.

Nov. 24

Police conducted a traffic stop on F Street and arrested a man after determining he was a wanted parolee.

Nov. 25

An officer contacted a man on Stillwater Road and learned he was a sex offender who had failed to register. The man was arrested.

Nov. 25

Police stopped a car near 5th and F streets for vehicle code violations. The driver consented to a car search, and a bag containing methamphetamine, marijuana and heroin was located in the engine compartment. The suspect was arrested for possession of drugs for the purpose of sale.

Nov. 25

A man stopped on the 1200-block of Sacramento Avenue for vehicle code violations was found to be in possession of 10.7 grams of methamphetamine, and was arrested.

Nov. 25

Police went to a home on the 800-block of Bryte Avenue to check the welfare of a female subject. While contacting a male and female, they saw 26 ounces of marijuana on the premises. The two were booked.

Nov. 25

Someone threw a "Molotov cocktail" onto the porch of a home on Aster Avenue.

Nov. 25

Police stopped a car near Jefferson & I-80 for vehicle code violations, and learned the car was stolen. Two suspects were arrested.

Nov. 25

An officer pulled over a woman at Westacre Road and West Capitol Avenue for vehicle code violations, and arrested her for driving under the influence of alcohol.

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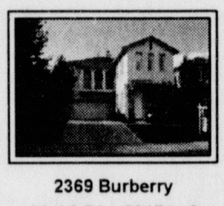
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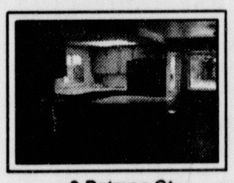
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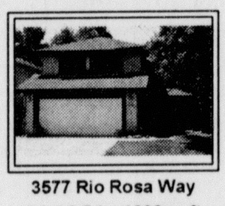
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Chartbusters

Top 10 Pop Singles

This Week / *Last Week*

1. **Justin Timberlake feat. T.I.** .....No. 1
"My Love" (Jive)
2. **Akon feat. Eminem** .....No. 2
"Smack That" (SRC)
3. **Fergie** .....No. 6
"Fergalicious" (will.i.am/A&M)
4. **Ludacris feat. Pharrell** ....No. 3
"Money Maker" (DTP/Def Jam)
5. **Hinder** .....No. 4
"Lips of an Angel" (Universal Republic)
6. **The Fray** .....No. 7
"How to Save a Life" (Epic)
7. **Justin Timberlake** .....No. 5
"SexyBack" (Jive)
8. **Snow Patrol** .....No. 8
"Chasing Cars" (Polydor/A&M)
9. **Beyonce** .....No. 24
"Irreplaceable" (Columbia)
10. **Chris Brown** .....No. 10
"Say Goodbye" (Jive)

Top 10 Albums

1. **Soundtrack** .....No. 1
"Hannah Montana" (Walt Disney)
2. **Barry Manilow** .....new entry
"The Greatest Songs of the Sixties" (Arista)
3. **Birdman & Lil Wayne** new entry
"Like Father, Like Son" (Cash Money/Universal Motown)
4. **John Legend** .....No. 3
"Once Again" (G.O.O.D./Columbia)
5. **Justin Timberlake** .....No. 4
"Future Sex/LoveSounds" (Jive)
6. **My Chemical Romance** ..No. 2
"The Black Parade" (Reprise)
7. **The Who** .....new entry
"Endless Wire" (Universal Republic)
8. **Meat Loaf** .....new entry
"Bat Out of Hell III: The Monster is Loose" (Virgin)

The Who

9. **Kellie Pickler** .....new entry
"Small Town Girl" (BNA)
10. **Deftones** .....new entry
"Saturday Night Wrist" (Maverick)

Top 10 Hot Country Singles

1. **Carrie Underwood** .....No. 1
"Before He Cheats" (Arista)
2. **Rascal Flatts** .....No. 5
"My Wish" (Lyric Street)
3. **Kenny Chesney** .....No. 3
"You Save Me" (BNA)
4. **Sugarland** .....No. 6
"Want To" (Mercury)
5. **Tim McGraw** .....No. 8
"My Little Girl" (Curb)
6. **Heartland** .....No. 4
"I Loved Her First" (Lofton Creek)
7. **Keith Urban** .....No. 7
"Once in a Lifetime" (Capitol Nashville)
8. **Dierks Bentley** .....No. 2
"Every Mile a Memory" (Capitol Nashville)
9. **Montgomery Gentry** .....No. 11
"Some People Change" (Columbia)
10. **Josh Turner** .....No. 9
"Would You Go With Me" (MCA Nashville)

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VETERANS ★ POST ★

by Freddy Groves

Veterans' Rights

The Veterans' Bill of Rights produced by online site Military.com is a wakeup call for those who think veterans are getting what they need through existing laws. What's clear is that there needs to be a coming together of veterans and those who support them. This bill is a good start.

The Veterans' Bill of Rights says that veterans have a right to:

- Understand Benefits — A right to understand the benefits to which they are entitled, and to have accurate information.
- Use Benefits — The right of "ready access" to their benefits, including assistance with cutting through red tape.
- A Good Job — A right to jobs that use their military skills, as well as help in translating those skills to civilian jobs. Veterans also have a right to understand their options involving veteran preference and government employment.

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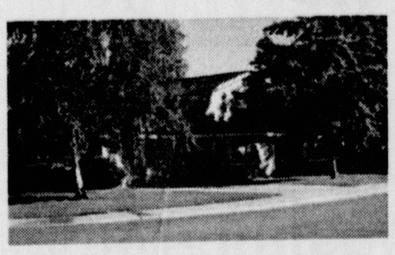

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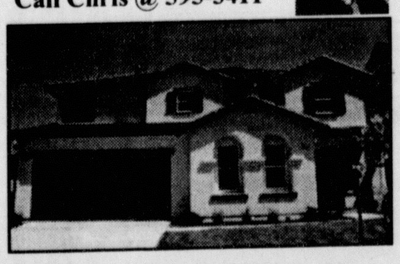

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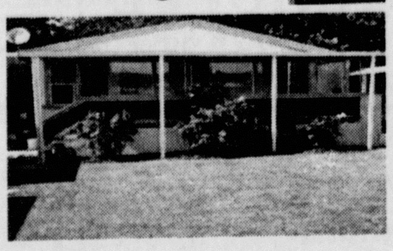

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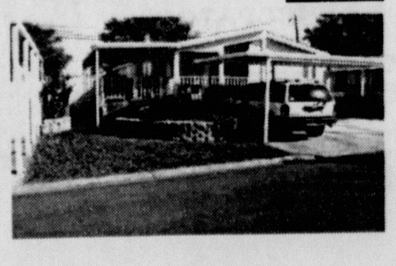

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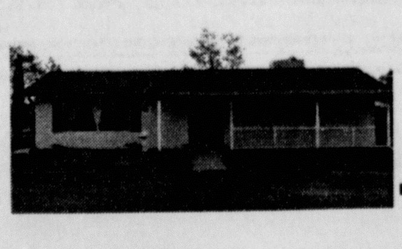

Contract Bridge

WHAT CAN DEFEAT ME?

South dealer.
Both sides vulnerable.

NORTH
♠Q 10 4
♥A K Q 9
♦8 5 2
♣Q 8 4

WEST
♠K 9 6 5
♥J 10 4 3
♦J
♣J 10 9 5

EAST
♠J 8 7 3 2
♥—
♦10 9 7 6 3
♣A K 7

SOUTH
♠A
♥8 7 6 5 2
♦A K Q 4
♣6 3 2

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
1 ♥	Pass	3 ♥	Pass
4 ♥			

Opening lead — jack of clubs.

Whenever you're playing a contract that appears unbeatable, you should stop and ask yourself: "What, if anything, can defeat me?" If you think along these lines, you can occasionally avoid disaster.

Observe what happened to declarer on this deal. West led the club jack, and the defense took three club tricks before shifting to a diamond.

South won with the ace and played a trump to the queen, on which East showed out. A spade to the ace was then followed by another trump, dummy winning West's ten with the king. South next ruffed a spade and led another heart, finessing the nine after West played low.

With only one trump left in each hand, declarer cashed the ace but later had to lose a diamond trick to go down one. However, he should have made the contract.

When South wins the diamond return at trick four, he should start thinking in terms of "What can defeat me?" The obvious answer is that only four trumps in one hand can jeopardize the contract.

Declarer is helpless if East has four trumps, so all his thoughts should be centered on the possibility that West has them. As we've seen, South fails if he tackles trumps at once.

Instead, he should cash the ace of spades before leading a trump. This might not seem like an especially meaningful play, but it represents the difference between making the contract and going down one. It protects against West holding all four trumps.

After East shows out at trick six, South ruffs the spade ten and leads another trump. He wins West's ten with the king and then ruffs the spade queen.

This leaves South with one trump while West and dummy each have two. Declarer now leads his last trump, trapping West's J-4 in front of dummy's A-9. South then discards his four of diamonds as dummy's last trump is cashed, and the contract is home.

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RYDER TRANSPORTATION SERVICES, 2424 DEL MONTE ST., WEST SACRAMENTO, CA 95691
Registrant(s) name and address:
RYDER TRUCK RENTAL, INC.
11690 N.W. 105TH STREET, LAW 4W, MIAMI, FL 33178
This business is conducted by A CORPORATION
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.)
S/ MARCIA L. NARINE
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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE TS No. 06-15236 Doc ID #0004478308120O5N Title Order No. 3052506 Investor/Insurer No. 044783081 APN No. 072-184-10-1 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 12/06/2005. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER." Notice is hereby given that ReconTrust Company, N.A., as duly appointed trustee pursuant to the Deed of Trust executed by JAMES C KASEY, AN UNMARRIED MAN, dated 12/06/2005 and recorded 12/12/05, as Instrument No. 2005-0061496-00, in Book , Page), of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of Yolo County, State of California, will sell on 11/29/2006 at 12:00PM, At the rear (North) entrance to the City Hall Building, 1110 West Capitol Avenue, West Sacramento, CA at public auction, to the highest bidder for cash or check as described below, payable in full at time of sale, all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust, in the property situated in said County and State and as more fully described in the above referenced Deed of Trust. The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 2449 COFFEEBERRY ROAD, WEST SACRAMENTO, CA, 95691. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. The total amount of the unpaid balance with interest thereon of the obligation secured by the property to be sold plus reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is $345,314.76. It is possible that at the time of sale the opening bid may be less than the total indebtedness due. In addition to cash, the Trustee will accept cashier's checks drawn on a state or national bank, a check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state. Said sale will be made, in an "AS IS" condition, but without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession or encumbrances, to satisfy the indebtedness secured by said Deed of Trust, advances thereunder, with interest as provided, and the unpaid principal of the Note secured by said Deed of Trust with interest thereon as provided in said Note, plus fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. DATED: 11/08/2006 ReconTrust Company, N.A. 1757 TAPO CANYON ROAD, SVW-88 SIMI VALLEY, CA 93063 Phone: (800) 281-8219, Sale Information (805) 578-6618 By: Trustee's Sale Officer ReconTrust Company, N.A. is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for that purpose. ASAP# 799209 11/08/2006, 11/15/2006, 11/22/2006

NOTICE TO ADOPT A NEGATIVE DECLARATION

A Mitigated Negative Declaration has been prepared for the River Glen Estates Tentative Map No. 4857 in West Sacramento. This Mitigated Negative Declaration has been prepared to address the potential environmental impacts of subdividing one existing parcel totaling ±10.0 acres into eight clustered residential lots, a drainage channel lot and a recreation corridor lot. The proposed lots will be served by a proposed private road connection to Otis Avenue. The site is located at 3245 Marshall Road, southeast corner of Otis Avenue and Marshall Road. The property is zoned RE and POS, respectively Rural Estate and Public Open Space (APN 45-260-07).

The Mitigated Negative Declaration concludes that with the implementation of recommended mitigation measures there will not be significant adverse impacts on the environment. Copies of the Mitigated Negative Declaration are on file in the office of the West Sacramento Community Development Department at 1110 West Capitol Avenue, West Sacramento, CA 95691 (telephone: 916/617-4645).

Any affected or interested parties may submit comments to the Community Development Department no later than **November 22, 2006**, or they may appear at the **December 7, 2006**, Planning Commission meeting and comment on the Mitigated Negative Declaration and/or the proposed project.

The West Sacramento Planning Commission will consider adoption of the Mitigated Negative Declaration on **December 7, 2006**, in the City Council chambers located at 1110 West Capitol Avenue, West Sacramento, CA, 95691 at 6:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard.

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PAGE FROM THE PAST

DIGEST INDEPENDENT-LEADER FRIDAY, DECEMBER 28, 1923

WASHINGTON NEWS ITEMS

The Sacramento River registered three feet eight inches, United States gauge at the Southern Pacific bridge yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Everaert of West Sacramento spent Christmas in Valle Vista, Contra Costa County, in company with their old friends, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hocking. Formerly both families were residents of Riverbank and early settlers in the district where they became intimately acquainted and still continue an intimate friendship that has never been marred or broken. The Christmas visit was thoroughly enjoyed by Mr. and Mrs. Everaert.

Trees along the levee of the West Sacramento District are being topped so as to strengthen the undergrowth to lend more protection to the levee. This work has been customary for several years past and is being done now, not only to clear the levee but to strengthen the growth along the stream. The canal leading from the pump house on the river levee has been cleaned out as far as the tracks of the San Francisco and Sacramento Railroad. This was badly needed, because during last summer it caused an overflow on several landholders' holdings. The canal will also be cleaned as far north as the trestles under the railroad tracks.

Before Judge Barry yesterday Tony Veiga was fined $25 or twenty-five days in jail for assault on Roy McGirr of West Sacramento. Clarence Peters testified that he witnessed the assault while Veiga was standing on the running board of McGirr's automobile. Veiga did not testify in his own behalf, satisfied to stand the fine which was paid immediately.

Ellis Barry and wife have returned from their honeymoon which was spent in San Francisco and other bay points. For the present they are occupying part of the Judge Barry home on Anne street, but later will furnish a cottage for occupancy.

A great deal of business was conducted at the Broderick post office during the Christmas holidays that taxed the endurance of Mrs. J. N. Bennetts to the limit. Mrs. Bennetts is filling the position of postmaster since her husband was promoted to the registry department of the Sacramento post office, but the business of the post office was conducted expeditiously and without complaint on the part of any citizen. She had considerable help, however, from her husband and her uncle, who is a member of the household temporarily.

Bert Irwin and wife (Helen Buckingham) came over from Santa Rosa last Sunday to spend Monday and Christmas day with Constable and Mrs. Buckingham. Mr. Irwin returned on Christmas evening, but Mrs. Irwin is remaining over for a few days with her relatives.

Trade in the stores in Washington during the Christmas season was extremely good, so good that never before in the history of the local stores was so much business transacted. The Beale store was particularly busy, especially on account of the great number of turkeys disposed of. Beale did not intend to trade in turkeys, but his customers became insistent and he laid in a large stock that was entirely disposed of. The Washington Market enjoyed a phenomenal trade, although Ed Moss did not sell turkeys. A great many people laid in supplies of meat during the Christmas season, thus enhancing the trade of the meat market.

For the convenience of customers of the Beale grocery store and Washington meat market, a connection has been cut through the partition wall of the two stores. This was done mostly on account of the fact that many customers used both stores at the same time to secure their household supplies. Beale and Moss recognized this necessity and made the opening solely for the convenience of their trade. Marketing will be made easy in this way and will likely enhance the trade in both stores. All other dealers in Washington report a largely increased business during the holiday season.

Last Saturday Anse Casselman met with a serious accident at Riverbank while on his way from his ranch to Sacramento. He stopped his auto to pick up a boy who was walking to town and when he applied the brakes the car skidded and became unmanageable. Into the ditch at the side of the road it slid easily, upsetting on the way and throwing Casselman clear of the wreck. He was somewhat scratched up but no bones were broken. The car was wrecked.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence House and son of Fresno are visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Hart over the holidays.

Vern Pankost of Knights Landing is spending a few days in Washington visiting friends.

Miss Leona Richeson, a resident of Stockton, spent the Christmas holidays in Washington as the guest of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. C. Richeson.

Mrs. A. A. Dassonville and daughter, Miss Helen Dassonville, spent the last week-end in Oakland on a combined business and pleasure trip.

Erlo Pankost of Oakland is visiting with friends and relatives over the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Archie Strader of San Diego are spending the Christmas holidays in Washington as the guests of friends in this section.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Todhunter returned to their home in Represa, following a week-end visit in this community.

F. C. Buckingham has returned to his home in Paradise Valley, Nev., after a several weeks' sojourn in Washington as the guest of relatives. He was accompanied on his return trip by Miss Jeanette Buckingham, who is attending the University of California at Berkeley.

Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Eugene are spending the Christmas holidays in Fallon, Nev., as the guests of friends and relatives.

Mrs. E. Porter, who has been confined to one of the Sacramento hospitals by illness, has recovered sufficiently to return to her home.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Wilson and son of Los Angeles are visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harley Austin of Washington.

MORE VICTIMS OF PROHIBITION ARRESTED ON DOPE CHARGE

Before Judge Barry yesterday, Morris Carter, negro, was sentenced to ninety days in the county jail in Woodland on a charge of vagrancy.

He had been arrested by Roy Jones of the narcotic enforcement force and Deputy Sheriff C. J. Ogle of Sacramento.

At the time of his arrest he was in company of Clifford F. Leos, alias Lewis, but at the time of the arrest no dope was found in their possession.

Carter put up a pitiful plea to Judge Barry but of no avail and pleaded guilty after his previous record had been recited by Deputy Ogle and Roy Jones to Judge Barry. Three previous convictions stood against him.

Carter is an ex-service man, having put in seventeen years in the army, and carries medals of distinction secured by him for bravery at San Juan Hill and in France.

From the story told by the arresting officers it seems that Carter has been a "runner" in the sale of morphine, his local supply being "a Greek" in Sacramento. He simply takes the money from the addict, leaving it with the Greek and taking back the supply. He pretends to be filled with compassion for the suffering of these addicts and pleads for them as if he were pleading in his own behalf, because their sufferings are so severe when unable to secure a dose of drugs.

In extenuation of his crime he claims that he carries a silver plate in his skull where a bullet has penetrated and has also a bullet wound in the stomach that has never completely healed.

Before prohibition came Carter says he used whiskey to relieve his periodical sufferings, but when unable to secure it he started to resort to the use of dope and has become a confirmed user unable to quit. He is a pensioner of the United States government, but he has not been drawing his money regularly because he cannot remain long enough in any particular place, for fear of the officers, to receive his portion.

In describing the sufferings of addicts, Carter becomes loquacious. He tells that a dose every twenty-four hours is absolutely necessary for a confirmed addict and if that dose cannot be secured the addict suffers intensely, almost beyond human endurance during the next following thirty-six hours. He says that few addicts die in the spasms of pain which they suffer following a non-supply of drugs. He says that no pain on earth is so intense as that which the addict suffers when his supply of dope cannot be secured.

Carter says that at least fifty per cent of the drug addicts that are now using narcotics in the United States have become fiends through prohibition. Men who formerly went on periodical sprees are tempted into trying something else when they cannot secure stimulants and usually they resort to dope.

Carter's companion at the time of arrest is an old offender. His crime in this instance was a felony and he was taken to the Yolo County jail until his preliminary hearing will be set by Judge Barry, when, in all likelihood, he will be remanded to appear before the superior court for trial.

HOLLAND LAND SEEMS EASY TO MOVE

Clarksburg, Dec. 28.—Achieving a record of sales during 1923 well past the $300,000-mark, the Holland Land Company brought its colonization activities for the year to a close by announcing the consummation of two transactions totalling over $22,000. Robert Yelland, of this community, bought 40 acres, and James Henningsen of Hayward purchased a 30-acre parcel.

RECLAMATION TRUSTEES MEET

Last night in the headquarters at West Sacramento the trustees of Reclamation District No. 900 had a session to consider the possibility of running irrigating water from the pump on the river levee south as far as the canal that runs westward below the Van Tassel place.

This paper was unable to secure information as to what action was taken by the trustees before going to press.

VAN DEREN WILL TAKE POSTOFFICE ON NEXT TUESDAY, JANUARY 1

Having already received his appointment papers, P. O. Van Deren intends to take over the Broderick postoffice next Tuesday, Jan. 1, 1924.

For the time being, at least, he will occupy the quarters now occupied by the post office, but will not likely move his family into the rear of the building. It has been reported that a relative will take the living quarters while he will continue in his present residence on the levee.

The examination is slated for January 5, to be held in the Sacramento post office, and it is Van Deren's intention to stand the examination even though the appointment has been tendered him.

The fixtures of the post office and the store, now owned by J. N. Bennetts, have been purchased, it is understood, by Van Deren, and will be held by him in their present location.

PARALYSIS CAUSED DEATH OF JOSEPH W. EVERETT LAST MONDAY

Suffering during an entire life of twenty years, Joseph W. Everett, son of William and Eliza Everett, died at his home last Monday, Christmas eve.

All his lifetime the young man had been a cripple from paralysis, superinduced by smallpox when a baby.

It was only when his mother or relatives lifted him out of bed that he could enjoy the freedom of even sitting around with his relatives.

Besides his father and mother, he leaves a sister, Elmira, surviving him.

The father, William Everett, is an employe of the Southern Pacific Company, performing his duties on the Southern Pacific bridge.

Funeral services over the young man's remains were held at the chapel of Miller & Skelton last Wednesday by the Methodist preacher in Sacramento, interment being in the Odd Fellows cemetery.

Everything that could possibly be done to relieve the young man's suffering was attended to by his parents, but without relief.

CASSELMAN HEADS ELKHORN FARM CENTER

A. A. Casselman, E. T. Smith, William Beardslee, Charles Luce, George Casselman and D. E. Fourness were selected by the Elkhorn district farm center to have charge of the farm bureau membership drive in the Elkhorn district at an important session of the unit held before Christmas and presided over by Director George Hicks.

W. C. Jacobson, chief of quarantine and pest control of the state department of agriculture, was the principal speaker at last night's session. He discussed quarantine measures and control of rodents. His talk was unusually interesting and appreciated by all.

Clyde Forbes, head of the membership drive for the county farm bureau, Farm Advisor Warren D. Norton and Luther Du Bois, instructor of the agricultural class of the Woodland high school were speakers and special visitors of the session.

Mrs. K. L. Lovdal appeared before the meeting and gave a detailed report of the activities of the farm home department which is specially live in this district.

AUTO CAMP BRINGS MANY TRAVELERS WHO WOULD NOT STOP HERE

Already thirty-seven cabins have been constructed on the West Sacramento camp ground on Fifth street.

These cabins consist of two rooms, a kitchen and a living room.

Each cabin is fitted with a stove, a bed, a sink, a gas plate for cooking and a demountable table that can be used for eating purposes as well as any other convenient work the housewife might want.

Electric lights will be installed later on or as soon as supply wires are extended to the location.

At the present writing the gas mains are being placed in the camp grounds so that each cabin will have a supply for cooking.

Travelers who have been all over the United States vouch that the West Sacramento camp is as complete as any camp in the country and is more complete and more convenient than a thousand places that have the reputation of being good places to stop.

At this writing large toilets are being constructed with sewer connections and sanitary flush toilets.

There is ample room for about two hundred families in the grounds. There is ample room for the parking of automobiles and ample provisions provided to take care of offal and garbage.

For those who do not care to do their cooking in the cabins a large central kitchen is to be constructed adjoining a dining room that will be for the use of all comers.

For the convenience of campers, Pereira now maintains a small store and a gasoline supply station, but it is his intention later on to build a larger store, adding conveniences as he goes along.

Even from the start the venture has been a complete success and, if anything, is a blessing to the neighborhood instead of a detriment like many other camp grounds. It is not unusual for travelers to come along and stop at the camping ground for two and three weeks at a time, and even longer. Men out of employment find the place convenient for temporary living quarters while they secure work in Sacramento or in surrounding territory.

SUBSCRIBE FOR THE INDEPENDENT-LEADER

GAS MAINS ARE BEING LAID ON SEVERAL STREETS IN TOWN

The work of laying gas mains in Washington is progressing rapidly under the direction of a large force of men in the employ of the Pacific Gas & Electric Company.

Already the main has been laid as far as the West Sacramento auto camp, between Fifth and Sixth and between Harriet and Mary streets.

Plumbers are now busy laying gas mains within the auto camp and trenches have already been dug so that every cottage in the camp can be connected with the supply.

H. Pereira has already purchased three hundred stoves to be established in the camp and later on or as soon as he can possibly make it, each cabin will also be fitted with electric lights.

It was mostly through the urging of Pereira that the Pacific Gas & Electric Company started the installation of gas for home consumption in Washington. Adding three hundred gas plates, which he contemplates to be the number of home owners who sign for a supply, made more than the necessary number of consumers needed to guarantee a supply by the corporation.

A ditch digger continues its work of excavating for the mains and is crossing the streets from the main lead pipe on Fifth street.

Officials of the corporation believe they will be able to have the supply pipes finished in about six weeks.

MOTORISTS USING NEW ELKHORN GRADE MUST BE CAREFUL

Supervisor L. E. Hutchings announces that the new grade on the road to Elkhorn is open to travel. Motorists are warned to be careful, for a fall over the side would mean a drop of thirty feet into a deep ditch of water.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

Philip I. Manson to Olga Krominoff, $10. Lot 11, blk. 9, Riverbank sub.

Clarksburg Union School District to Lizzie H. Glide, $750. Clarksburg Union School site, one acre tract.

JUST TO SAY

A MERRY CHRISTMAS

and

A HAPPY NEW YEAR

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WASHINGTON

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EVERY SATURDAY NIGHT
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Near End of Southern Pacific Bridge
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MUSIC BY GAULT'S PEERLESS SYNCOPATORS

G. Beale & Co.

Washington Meat Market

OPINION

Letters to the Editor

Treat WUSD teachers fairly

The school year at River City High School is another wasted year for teachers, this time because of an ugly labor dispute. Administration and the school board refuse to settle this contract and give teachers a fair cost of living adjustment. Washington Unified is not competitive with surrounding school districts. The district ranks at the bottom in teacher pay.

Administration claims that the district does not have the money and yet WUSD received state money just like every other district. Where did the money go? The district has plenty of money to pay administrators and consultants. After nineteen years of teaching in this district, I know that consultants are the most expensive gig in education and rarely worth even a fraction of what they charge.

The financial constraints of the district did not stop the board from paying consultants and raising the pay of administration. Administration received 10% to 26% raises. A math consultant was recently hired for $50,000 to work for 50 days at the handsome rate of $1,000 per day. The new superintendent, Steve Lawrence, tried to hire his mother as a consultant for $25,000 with hours unspecified. Even if the superintendent withdrawals his absurd request to favor his mother, it is an arrogant gesture that should put everyone on notice about his priorities and character.

If that wasn't a bitter enough message to employees, we were informed on November 16th that the district will immediately charge the medical insurance increase amounting to $600 per month for the family plan on the December payroll check. This sudden deduction equals a Christmas pay cut that will last all year or until an employee finds another job with real benefits. Meanwhile, administration and the school board plan to secure a separate, more favorable medical insurance plan so they don't have to pay the increase. Even if they can't cut a sweet deal for themselves, administration makes a lot more money than teachers and staff and just received a raise to offset the increase.

There are employees in this district who are devastated and shocked by this sudden decision and will have no option but to join the ranks of California's uninsured. How many employees and their families could be spared hardship for the amount of money the district has paid padding the pockets of administration and consultants? The district has committed an egregious act against teachers and staff. Anyone with an interest in the education of the children of West Sacramento should speak up and take action now.

RONICA CARLISLE
Teacher, River City High School

Open letter to West Sac

As you all may know, I was successful at my bid to join the West Sacramento City Council. I will join Bill Kristoff, Oscar Villegas, Wes Beers and Christopher Cabaldon on a council which I have very high hopes will guide West Sacramento to become the best city in the region to live, work, shop, recreate and raise a family.

This campaign made it clear to me how important it is for anyone seeking public office to be active in the community they intend to represent. Even though I was outspent in my campaign two to one, the grass roots support I received from those with whom I have been involved in community activities over the years won the day. The election was very close and every vote and each contribution, regardless of size, made all the difference, and I do appreciate that.

Although there were a few digressions, I feel all candidates ran honorable campaigns and stuck to the issues facing our city and avoided personal attacks. All candidates showed their commitment to West Sacramento and I look forward to working with each and every one of them in the coming term.

As I stated during my campaign, I'll make sure we move in the right direction by improving our schools, enhancing public safety, encouraging new business, bringing more retail and restaurants to our city, revitalizing neighborhoods and solving traffic problems. I will continue to be reachable through my home telephone at 371-0661 and look forward to hearing from you. I will also continue to update my website at www.markjohannessen.com with issues and concerns facing the Council and provide a means to contact me by email.

I will be sworn in on November 30 at 6:00 p.m. at the West Sacramento City Hall and anyone who would like to attend the ceremony is welcome.

Again, thank you and I look forward to working for you all.

MARK JOHANNESSEN
West Sacramento

The News-Ledger invites letters from its readers.

For best chance of publication, letters should be brief and should address an issue of local concern. Letters will be published with the author's name. Please include your signature, phone number and address for verification.

Guest opinion

DNA catches crooks

By Bill Lockyer
Attorney General, State of California

As I reflect on the last eight years I've spent as California's attorney general, one of the achievements of which I am most proud is my partnership with law enforcement to cement California's leadership in the use of DNA to catch criminals and protect the innocent.

Since taking office in 1999, I have championed the use of DNA to identify and prosecute criminals and help bring justice and closure to victims. DNA has revolutionized the work of law enforcement, helping investigators catch criminals who thought they had gotten away with murders, rapes and other violent crimes.

Under state law that we helped strengthen, now individuals convicted of any felony must submit biological samples that yield DNA profiles that are stored in the Cal-DNA Data Bank. Profiles extracted from crime scene evidence are compared to profiles in the Data Bank, and if there is a match, law enforcement is notified.

As of November 2006, the total number of searchable DNA samples from offenders is 625,207, and the number of "hits" is more than 3,000.

I sponsored legislation that expanded the use of DNA evidence so that law enforcement can more effectively catch criminals and help locate missing persons. Imprisoned felons also now have the right to obtain DNA testing in order to support their claim of innocence. Thus, DNA helps convict the guilty and free the innocent.

We opened an $18 million, 68,000 square-foot, state-of-the-art DNA lab in Richmond that uses the latest in scientific robotics technology and employs top-level scientists and staff. Our DNA lab is widely regarded as the largest and best in the country.

Prior to 1999, the lab produced an average of one "cold hit" – using DNA evidence to solve a previously unsolved crime – per year. By making the expansion of the DNA databank a top law enforcement priority, the lab now averages more than one hit every day. These hits have included identifying Scott Thomas Erskine in 2001 for the brutal 1993 murders of two San Diego children, 9-year-old Jonathan Sellers and 13-year-old Charlie Keever; David James McIntosh in 2001 for the vicious 1984 sexual assault and murder of Heidi Fredette in Tehama County; and many others.

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As of November 2006, the number of "hits" is more than 3,000.

The success of the Attorney General's DNA lab is regarded as a key reason why sexual assaults in California remain at historically low levels. We are working hard to do an even better job combating these assaults with the use of DNA evidence. Recently, I unveiled a $1.1 million Fast Track Forensic Program, a pilot effort in Southern California to process DNA evidence from sexual assault cases within five days, research evidence collection techniques and enhance the use of forensics in acquaintance rape cases. The sooner vital information on sexual assault is delivered to law enforcement, the sooner suspects can be identified and taken off the streets.

I want to express my deep gratitude to the many members of law enforcement and our DNA lab who have worked tirelessly to make California the best in the country at using this revolutionary technology to advance our leadership in fighting crime, protecting the innocent and assuring that our families live in peace and safety.

Fictitious Business Name Statement
Filed Nov 14 2006
File No. 2006-1078

The following person is doing business as Covell Cleaners, 1340 E Covell #109, Davis CA 95616:

WJ Inc., 1843 Trinity Way, W Sacramento CA 95691.

This business is conducted by a Corporation.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 11/14/06.

/s/Jung H Suh

I hereby certify that this is a true copy of the original document on file in this office. This certification is true as long as there are no alterations to the document, AND as long as the document is sealed with a red seal.

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County of Yolo
Freddie Oakley, Clerk
Date: Nov 14 2006
by: /s/Eleigh Fagel, Deputy Clerk

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Fictitious Business Name Statement
Filed Nov 14 2006
File No. 2006-1077

The following person is doing business as la maison de sante, 710 M Street, Davis CA 95616:

Michon Henderson, same address.

This business is conducted by an Individual.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 10/04/06.

/s/Michon Henderson

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by: /s/Ava Woodard, Deputy Clerk

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE TS No. 06-16668 Doc ID #0001201683272005N Title Order No. 3080297 Investor/Insurer No. 1700301028 APN No. 046-615-12-1 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 10/04/2005. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER." Notice is hereby given that ReconTrust Company, N.A., as duly appointed trustee pursuant to the Deed of Trust executed by ZAKIA YASIN, A MARRIED WOMAN AS HER SOLE AND SEPARATE PROPERTY, AND RABIA ALAM, AN UNMARRIED WOMAN, dated 10/04/2005 and recorded 11/01/05, as Instrument No. 2005-0054834-00, in Book , Page), of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of Yolo County, State of California, will sell on 12/20/2006 at 12:00PM, At the rear (North) entrance to the City Hall Building, 1110 West Capitol Avenue, West Sacramento, CA at public auction, to the highest bidder for cash or check as described below, payable in full at time of sale, all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust, in the property situated in said County and State and as more fully described in the above referenced Deed of Trust. The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 2480 GENOVA STREET UNIT #1, WEST SACRAMENTO, CA, 95691. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. The total amount of the unpaid balance with interest thereon of the obligation secured by the property to be sold plus reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is $274,866.03. It is possible that at the time of sale the opening bid may be less than the total indebtedness due. In addition to cash, the Trustee will accept cashier's checks drawn on a state or national bank, a check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state. Said sale will be made, in an "AS IS" condition, but without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession or encumbrances, to satisfy the indebtedness secured by said Deed of Trust, advances thereunder, with interest as provided, and the unpaid principal of the Note secured by said Deed of Trust with interest thereon as provided in said Note, plus fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. DATED: 11/26/2006 ReconTrust Company, N.A. 1757 TAPO CANYON ROAD, SVW-88 SIMI VALLEY, CA 93063 Phone: (800) 281 8219, Sale Information (805) 578-6618 By: Trustee's Sale Officer ReconTrust Company, N.A. is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for that purpose. ASAP# 802860 11/29/2006, 12/06/2006, 12/13/2006

Food Ideas

(NAPS)—The Louisiana Seafood Board suggests serving only local, high-quality shrimp. Chefs say it has a more delicate flavor. For tips on selecting shrimp, click on Recipes at www.LouisianaSeafood.com.

Fictitious Business Name Statement
Filed Aug 10, 2006
File No. 2006-763

The following person is doing business as Monticello Bistro, 5A Main Street, Winters CA:

Rhonda J. Gruska and Anthony P. Gruska, 2163 Bella Casa St., Davis CA 95616.

This business is conducted by Husband and Wife.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 5 Aug 06.

/s/Rhonda J. Gruska
/s/Anthony P. Gruska

I hereby certify that this is a true copy of the original document on file in this office. This certification is true as long as there are no alterations to the document, AND as long as the document is sealed with a red seal.

State of California
County of Yolo
Freddie Oakley, Clerk
Date: Aug 10, 2006
by: /s/Josie Ramirez, Deputy Clerk

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Fictitious Business Name Statement
Filed Aug 10, 2006
File No. 2006-762

The following person is doing business as Tastebuds Catering, 421 D St., Davis CA 95616:

Rhonda J. Gruska and Anthony P. Gruska, 2163 Bella Casa St. Davis CA 95616.

This business is conducted by Husband and Wife.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 1/08/01.

/s/Anthony P. Gruska

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Date: Aug 10, 2006
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Fictitious Business Name Statement
Filed Nov 2, 2006
File No. 2006-1051

The following person is doing business as J&J Entertainment, 701 Sunset Avenue, West Sacramento CA 95605:

James L. Niccolson, same address.

This business is conducted by an Individual.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 11/02/06.

/s/James L. Niccolson
/s/Jacqueline M. Hensley

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Date: Nov 2, 2006
by: /s/Elizabeth Montoya, Deputy Clerk

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Fictitious Business Name Statement
Filed Nov 15 2006
File No. 2006-1086

The following person is doing business as Bentonite Plus, 35606 Acadia Lane, Davis CA 95616:

Charles B. Weller, same address.

This business is conducted by an Individual.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Nov 15, 2006.

/s/Charles B. Weller

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State of California
County of Yolo
Freddie Oakley, Clerk
Date: Nov 15 2006
by: /s/Lupe Ramirez, Deputy Clerk

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 2006-1075
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:
Foresters Financial Insurance Services, 28005 North Smyth Drive, Suite 103, Santa Clarita, CA 91355
Registrant(s) name and address:
Foresters Financial Partners, Inc., 28005 North Smyth Drive, Suite 103, Santa Clarita, CA 91355
This business is conducted by a corporation
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.)
S/ Ira Lynn Gottshall, President
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on 11/14/2006
The registrant(s) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A
NOTICE-This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A New Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before that time.
The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).
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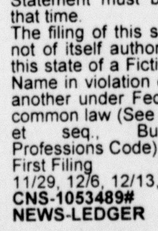
NEWS-LEDGER

Stocking Stuffer Books

Don't Get Scrooged

(NAPS)—While the holidays can bring out the worst in people, there are a few ways to keep yourself from getting Scrooged. The first tip is to read "Don't Get Scrooged," a festive handbook on how to avoid, appease and even win over the Scrooges who haunt your holidays year after year.

Written by Richard Carlson, author of the best-selling "Don't Sweat the Small Stuff," this book offers practical and entertaining solutions to the problems of Scrooges, whatever form they take—whether they're bad drivers, rude salesclerks, grumpy bosses or stubborn in-laws.



Here are three of Carlson's tips to survive last-minute gift shopping, awkward family reunions, the office Christmas party and noisy neighbors:

1. Ban worry from your holidays. You'll be making room for much nicer things—like the pleasure of the moment—when you do.

2. Reclaim your time. Prune away situations and Scrooges that are unpleasant. You don't have to go to Aunt Bessie's party every year. Savor the traditions you love.

3. Dodge the oddballs. Modify your routine to steer clear of scroogey situations. A little avoidance can go a long way during the holidays!

Arm yourself for battle against bad behavior and experience a happier holiday season. The book is available everywhere books are sold.

For more information, visit www.dontgetscrooged.com.

BOOK NOTES

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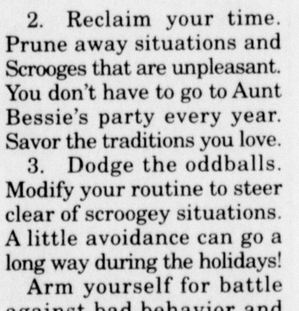

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If hectic days make it hard to pull together a family meal, "Chicken Soup for the Soul: Recipes for Busy Moms" (HCI Books, $19.95) offers easy and delicious recipes from Mr. Food plus inspirational *Chicken Soup* stories. Visit www.hcibooks.com or local bookstores.

PUZZLES & COMICS

R.F.D. by Mike Marland

I'M GLAD YOU'RE FINALLY ADMITTIN' THAT YOU'RE STUCK IN A RUT, BRO!
I'VE BEEN TELLIN' YA THAT FOR YEARS! GET OFF THE FARM ONCE IN A WHILE! GO DO SOMETHIN' CRAZY!!
I'M TALKIN' 'BOUT THE TRACTOR, TINKER. YOU GONNA HELP ME PULL IT OUT OR NOT...?
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The Spats by Jeff Pickering

THAT'S THE PROBLEM WITH THIS COUNTRY NOWDAYS
...NOBODY TAKES RESPONSIBILITY FOR ANYTHING ANYMORE!!!
...BUT DON'T QUOTE ME ON THAT.

Mama's Boyz by Jerry Craft

HEY, TYRELL, MAYBE WE SHOULD GET MA THIS WORKOUT TAPE.
WELL, THE EXERCISE WOULD PROBABLY BE GOOD FOR HER.
DO I LOOK LIKE I NEED MORE EXERCISE ?!
Jerry Craft

Amber Waves by Dave Phipps

DAD, MOTHER TELLS ME THAT YOUR MEMORY IS BEGINNING TO SLIP.
HOGWASH! I REMEMBER EVERYTHING, I EVEN REMEMBER WHERE I WAS WHEN KENNEDY WAS SHOT.
DO YOU REMEMBER WHERE YOU PUT THE CAR KEYS?
WAIT! I KNOW THIS ONE, DON'T TELL ME.
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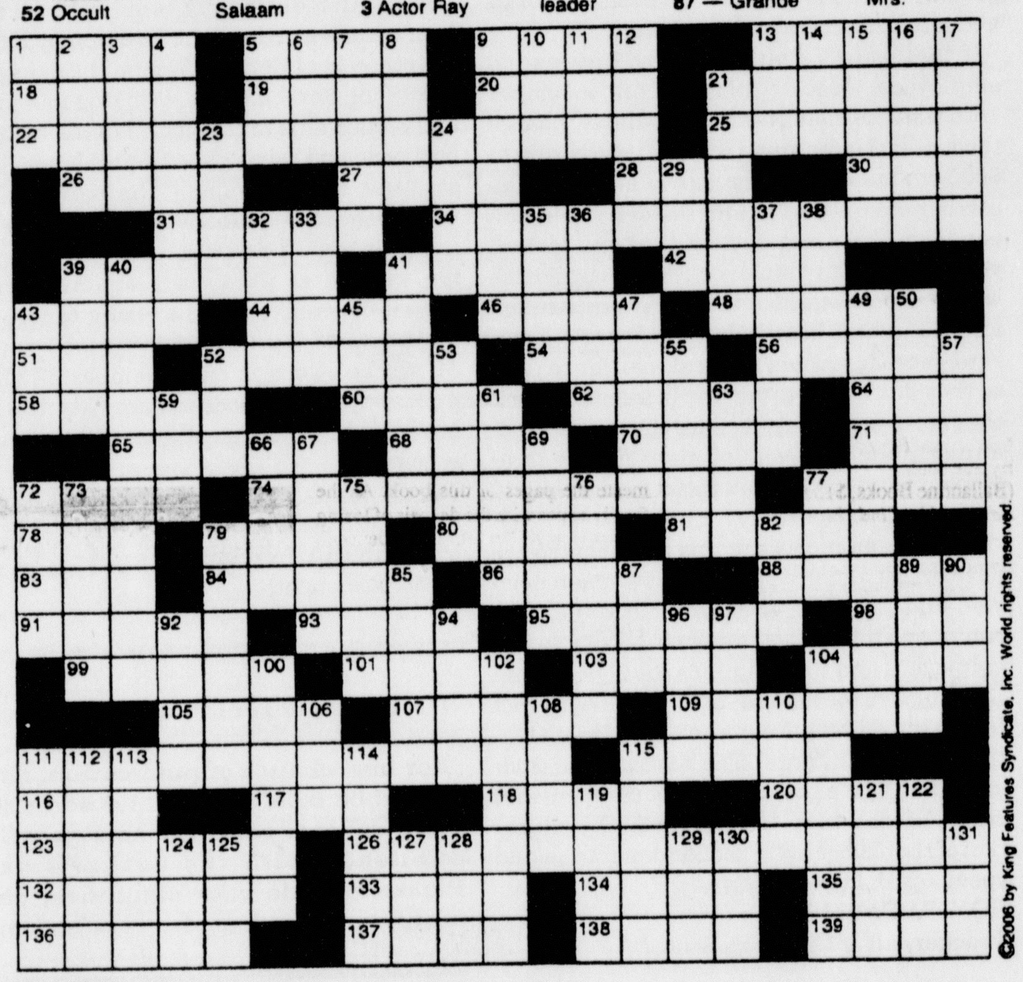
FLASH GORDON By JIM KEEFE
FLASHBACK:
FLASH AND DALE ARE BROUGHT BEFORE MONGO'S TYRANNICAL RULER, MING THE MERCILESS.
DESIRING DALE, MING LAYS CLAIM TO HER.
FLASH IS SENTENCED TO TRIAL BY COMBAT.
TO THE ASTONISHMENT OF THE ONLOOKERS, FLASH VANQUISHES HIS OPPONENTS.
ENRAGED, MING ORDERS HIM SHOT ON THE SPOT.
DODGING RAY-GUN BLASTS, FLASH SCRAMBLES UP AND OVER THE BALCONY RAILING.
STANDING BEFORE HIM, THE EMPEROR'S DAUGHTER... PRINCESS AURA.
CAPTIVATED BY THE EARTHMAN'S PROWESS, SHE FLINGS HERSELF IN FRONT OF HIM, USING HER OWN BODY AS A SHIELD!
BUT MING'S COMMANDS ARE NOT SO EASILY EVADED.
A TRAP DOOR OPENS...
UNFLINCHING, THE PRINCESS DIVES IN AFTER!
TO BE CONT'D~

Super Crossword — GREEN PIECE

ACROSS
1 Exchange
5 "— on Entebbe" ('77 film)
9 TV's "— Bridges"
13 Canadian peninsula
18 It may be bitter
19 — Spumante
20 Director Kazan
21 Chaos
22 "Green Card" actress
25 Put the match to
26 Big kid?
27 Lofty
28 Ford of football
30 Hightailed it
31 One of a bunch
34 Green Bay Packers stadium
39 Dieter's snack
41 Streep of "The Hours"
42 Act like a stallion
43 Loathe
44 Bucks beginning
46 Mine car
48 Coronet
51 Gray matter?
52 Occult
54 The — Brothers
56 Depart
58 Stiller's partner
60 He gave us a lift
62 Carve a canyon
64 Illuminated
65 Nick of "Cannery Row"
68 To — (perfectly)
70 Alum
71 Arafat's grp.
72 Gulf state
74 "Green Acres" actor
77 Jackie of "The Tuxedo"
78 Brooks or Ott
79 — -dieu (kneeler)
80 Galaxy glitterer
81 Neighbor of 72 Across
83 "— of You" ('84 hit)
84 Annoys
86 Budge
88 Eye opener?
91 Shortstop Pee Wee
93 German river
95 Bright inventor?
98 — es Salaam
99 Come in
101 Job opening
103 Vegetate
104 Impudent
105 "— Leaf" ('71 film)
107 One of the Osmonds
109 Blazing
111 "The Green Man" author
115 "Don Giovanni" setting
116 Year, in Yucatan
117 Nabokov novel
118 Raindrop sound
120 Leaf part
123 Polly-syllabic one?
126 "Green Tambourine" group
132 Dubious
133 Joyce's land
134 Part of HOMES
135 Den
136 Abounds (with)
137 Risked a ticket
138 Coming up
139 Org. founded in 1844

DOWN
1 Bath, e.g.
2 Flicker feature
3 Actor Ray
4 Supple
5 Aries animal
6 Fit — fiddle
7 Like a mosquito bite
8 Actress Conn
9 Inn-based sitcom
10 Bristol brew
11 "— vous plait"
12 Berry of "Monster's Ball"
13 Silence
14 Writer Rand
15 British county
16 Pansy part
17 Correct
21 Stately dance
23 Raison d'— 24 Inspect too closely?
29 Corn portion
32 Bilko's employer
33 Colors
35 Pianist Hess
36 Criticize
37 Went down in history?
38 "Dies —"
39 Ablative or dative
40 Green Mountain Boys leader
41 Cocktail choice
43 Actor's lunch?
45 Pontiac model
47 Consolidate
49 Green Party candidate
50 Saint Theresa's home
52 "— de mer"
53 Quotes an expert
55 "My fault!"
57 007's school
59 Baseball's Guidry
61 Throne and pew
63 See socially
66 Austin of "Knots Landing"
67 Roman magistrate
69 Gladden
72 Poet Khayyam
73 Donnybrook
75 Exploits
76 It has a bit part
77 "Fantasia" frame
79 Fusses with feathers
82 Guy
85 Alabama city
87 — Grande
89 Seldom seen
90 "The A-Team" actor
92 Forest father
94 Wander
96 Clout a cad
97 "Eugene Onegin" character
100 Tell tales
102 Increased by 200 percent
104 Full array
106 Tie the knot
108 Land in the sea
110 Ferrer musical
111 Done for
112 Cockamamie
113 Scandinavian
114 Early Eastwood role
115 Fern feature
119 Harbinger
121 Put on a happy face
122 Lexicographer Partridge
124 41 Down ingredient
125 Hosp. areas
127 Cool
128 Poetic preposition
129 Veto
130 Cosset a corgi
131 Mexican Mrs.



Answers to Puzzles Page 4

Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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		6		9	8			4
	4		7			3		8
2		5		1			6	
	9	2			7	5		
	1			3		6		2
6			1		2		9	

Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ★

★ Moderate ★★ Challenging ★★★ HOO BOY!

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GO FIGURE! by Linda Thistle

The idea of Go Figure is to arrive at the figures given at the bottom and right-hand columns of the diagram by following the arithmetic signs in the order they are given (that is, from left to right and top to bottom). Use only the numbers below the diagram to complete its blank squares and use each of the nine numbers only once.

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x		x		x	
	x		–		34
32		20		30	

DIFFICULTY: ★

★ Moderate ★★ Difficult ★★★ GO FIGURE!

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HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF

FIND AT LEAST 6 DIFFERENCES BETWEEN PANELS.

MAGIC MAZE ● MURDER ON THE ORIENT EXPRESS

M B Y W I U I S T A N B U L R
A P N K 2 I D G D B Z X S V S
G Q O M S N O W B O U N D T R
A K I G U E C A Y C O W U O ?
T S Q O S P N L H I J H T R E
H F W E P C A R T Y C C X I C
A 2 V U E S I U Q P U N N O I
1 M K J C S L O N D O N I P T
9 H F E T O C G N I B B A T S
3 B Z I S G N O R T S M R A U
3 Y E 2 X V C U T R Q P T O J

Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions - forward, backward, up, down and diagonally.

12 suspects
12 wounds
1933
2 solutions
Armstrongs
Bouc
Christie
Conductor
Istanbul
Justice?
London
Poirot
Snowbound
Stabbing
Train

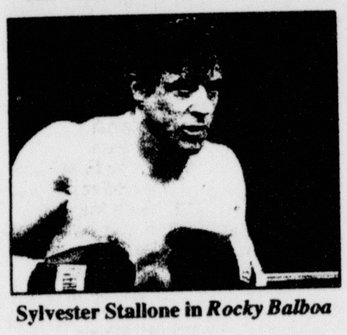
DINING, TRAVEL & ENTERTAINMENT

CRITIC'S CORNER
By D.N.A Smith

Holiday Movie Preview

The holiday season is the time of year that most movie buffs can't wait for. It's when the studios bring out the Big Guns — films they feel have Oscar potential and big-budget extravaganzas that don't quite fit the Summertime Popcorn Flick mold. Let's see what this year's crop looks like:

The Good German — Post-war



Sylvester Stallone in *Rocky Balboa*

espionage thriller by director Steven Soderbergh, starring George Clooney, Cate Blanchett and Tobey Maguire. (Dec. 8)

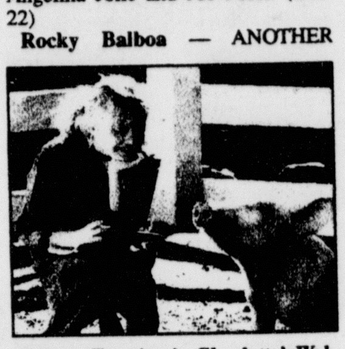
Arthur and the Invisibles — A combination of live action and animation fantasy featuring Snoop Dogg and David Bowie. A young boy shrinks himself to save his grandma's house. (Dec. 15)

Dreamgirls — Beyonce Knowles stars in the film version of the blockbuster Broadway musical about the rise and fall of a Supremes-like R&B group. (Dec. 15)

Charlotte's Web — Live-action version of the classic story of a very special pig. Starring Dakota Fanning. Not as the pig. (Dec. 20)

The Good Shepherd — Robert DeNiro directs this story of the origins of the CIA. Starring Matt Damon, Angelina Jolie and Joe Pesci. (Dec. 22)

Rocky Balboa — ANOTHER



Dakota Fanning in *Charlotte's Web*

Rocky movie? Yes. Sly Stallone jumps back into the ring for one last hurrah. (Dec. 22)

Black Christmas — Nothing says Christmas like a good old-fashioned slasher movie. This one stars Michelle Trachtenberg and Lacey Chabert in a remake of a '70s cult classic. (Dec. 25)

Children of Men — Clive Owen stars in this science-fiction tale of a professor who must protect the world's last pregnant woman (Julianne Moore). (Dec. 27)

Factory Girl — Sienna Miller stars in this biopic of Andy Warhol contemporary Edie Sedgwick. Also starring Guy Pierce. (Dec. 29)

Miss Potter — Renee Zellweger plays Peter Rabbit creator Beatrix Potter in this Victorian-era biopic. (Dec. 29)

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Jill Jackson's HOLLYWOOD

HOLLYWOOD ... **Kirsten Dunst** goes into '07 with "A Jealous Ghost." It's a thriller about a young woman studying in England who falls in love with one of her professors, starts a relationship with him, and from then on starts seeing demons. Dunst can now be seen on the big screen in "Marie Antoinette." She hasn't done a thriller since 1994, when at age 10 she appeared in "Interview With a Vampire."

Kirsten Dunst

Morgan Freeman stars in "Wanted," an action-thriller about a man who discovers his father is an assassin. After his dad is murdered, he is recruited into a covert organization of killers and trained to follow in his father's footsteps. Freeman plays the assassin who trains this man. When he isn't before the cameras, Morgan spends most of his time on his farm in Mississippi.

The ashes of **Ellen Walker**, the child conceived aboard the Titanic by a runaway couple whose romance inspired the movie "Titanic," were scattered last month in the Atlantic Ocean off Cornwall, England. She died at 92. Her parents were played by **Leonardo DiCaprio** and **Kate Winslet**. And further on the subject of Leo C., he has been spotted solo at Hollywood nightspots recently. However, he doesn't stay solo long. Not when femme customers spot the handsome star.

Shirley Temple Black, former child star, ambassador and etc., took a nasty fall at her home in northern California. Luckily, she only broke a wrist and is now wearing a cast.

To Rosemary H. of Taos, N.M. Yes, I do agree. **Sidney Poitier** is a magnificent actor. And no. He was NOT born in the Bahamas. His parents were from the Bahamas and visiting in Miami when Sidney was born. They then returned and he grew up in the Bahamas, but considers himself an American because he was born here.

In February, **Robert DeNiro** goes to New Orleans to film "New Orleans," a police thriller centering on a cop who thinks his partner died during Hurricane Katrina, but later learns he was shot to death. When he gets a new partner, they investigate further and discover a world of police corruption. Happily, the shoot will bring money into a city that needs all the help it can get. However, I am hearing from friends that New Orleans IS coming back — slowly.

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BITS 'N' PIECES: Come March, **Bill Cosby** gets inducted into the NAACP Image Awards Hall of Fame. ... The Disney Company presented a million-dollar check to the Marine Toys for Tots Foundation. ... **Ronald Reagan** played George Gipp of Notre Dame football fame in "Knute Rockne All American." Now **Roger Corman** is making a movie titled "Win One for the Gipper." He's hoping to land Notre Dame quarterback **Brady Quinn** for the title role. ... Awards already starting for **Meryl Streep**, a sure shoo-in for an Oscar nomination. Now she receives a leadership award from Women In Entertainment. ... **Adam Sandler's** 6-month-old daughter, Sadie, is the "spittin' image" of her dad. ... **Paris** is at it again. This time giving the **Olsen twins** the "evil eye" at a Sunset Strip nightspot because they were with one of her former boytoys. ... **Demi Moore** didn't leave much to the imagination in a revealing, clinging gown at a recent afterpreem party. ... Next time you see **Robert Redford**, take a good, hard look. His image is a fresh new one. A little face work, maybe? ... And finally, if **Nicole Richie** gets any thinner she will be able to thread through a needle.

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Books

Lost in the Forest
By Sue Miller
(Ballantine Books, $13.95)
Reviewed by Cindy Elavsky

"Lost in the Forest" is the newest novel from Sue Miller, whose previous work, "While I Was Gone," drew rave reviews from critics. "Lost" keeps in step with the high bar she has set for herself. From the very first page, Miller's gentle and probing storytelling draws in the reader and doesn't let go until the very last page.

Set in California wine country — a beautiful and somewhat exotic setting for many readers — Miller spins a tale of love, betrayal, loss and forgiveness. The story centers on one extended family: divorced parents Mark and Eva, their children Emily and Daisy, Eva's second husband, John, and their son, Theo.

When John is killed in a freak accident, Mark must do something he was never much good at: be a father for his children. As Mark takes care of the children to help overwrought Eva, he discovers how much he's missed not being in his children's lives. He also realizes he is still in love with his ex-wife.

Regret, remorse and aching loss permeate the pages of this book. As the family copes with the despair of losing a loved one, Miller lets the reader peek into each character's way of moving on. Mark tries to shed his playboy ways; Eva survives each day as it comes; Emily immerses into social life; Daisy begins a dangerous game with an older man; and Theo thinks he'll get to see his father again when he gets a little bigger.

Sue Miller has constructed a beautiful portrait of a struggling family, and she shows that as the clouds of misfortune slowly disperse, the sun is able to shine once again.

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MEXICAN BEAN SOUP

- *8 ounces extra-lean ground sirloin beef or turkey breast*
- *1 cup finely chopped onion*
- *1 cup shredded carrots*
- *1 (14-ounce) can Swanson Lower Sodium Fat Free Beef Broth*
- *1 (15-ounce) can pinto beans, rinsed and drained*
- *2 teaspoons dried parsley flakes*
- *1 1/2 teaspoons chili seasoning*

In a large saucepan, saute meat, onion and carrots for 10 minutes. Stir in beef broth and pinto beans. Add parsley flakes and chili seasoning. Mix well to combine. Bring mixture to a boil. Lower heat and simmer for 10 minutes, stirring occasionally. Makes 4 (1 cup) servings.

• Each serving equals: 172 calories, 4g fat, 16g protein, 18g carb., 408mg sodium, 5g fiber; Diabetic Exchanges: 2 Meat, 1 Starch, 1 Vegetable.

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PREP: 45 minutes plus chilling cooling and decorating
BAKE: 12 to 15 minutes per batch
MAKES: about 4 dozen cookies

- *3/4 cup sugar*
- *10 tablespoons butter (1 1/4 sticks), softened*
- *1 teaspoon baking powder*
- *1/2 teaspoon salt*
- *2 tablespoons milk*
- *2 teaspoons vanilla extract*
- *1 large egg*
- *2 cups all-purpose flour*
- *Ornamental Frosting*

1. In large bowl, with mixer at low speed, beat sugar, butter, baking powder and salt until blended. Increase speed to high; beat until light and fluffy. Reduce speed to low; add milk, vanilla and egg, and beat until blended. (Mixture may appear curdled.)

2. With wooden spoon, stir in flour until blended. Shape dough into 2 balls; flatten each slightly. Wrap each with plastic wrap and refrigerate 1 hour, or until dough is easy to handle. (Or, place dough in freezer 30 minutes.)

3. Preheat oven to 350 F. On lightly floured surface, with floured rolling pin, roll out 1 piece of dough 1/8 inch thick, keeping remaining dough refrigerated. With floured 3- to 4-inch assorted cookie cutters, cut dough into as many cookies as possible; reserve trimmings. Place cookies, about 1 inch apart, on 2 ungreased large cookie sheets. Reroll trimmings and cut out more cookies.

4. Bake cookies on 2 oven racks 12 to 15 minutes, until golden around edges, rotating cookie sheets between upper and lower racks halfway through baking time. With wide spatula, transfer cookies to wire racks to cool. Repeat with remaining dough.

5. When cookies are cool, prepare Ornamental Frosting; use to decorate cookies as desired. Set cookies aside to allow frosting to dry completely, at least 1 hour. If not using right away, store in tightly covered container.

• Each cookie without frosting: About 55 calories, 1 g protein, 7 g carbohydrate, 3 g total fat (2 g saturated), 11 mg cholesterol, 55 mg sodium.

Fave Foods OF THE FAMOUS
by Steven Austin

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Tara Reid

Although she's been acting since the age of 6, Tara Reid rose to stardom in 1999 after her role as Vicky in the Hollywood blockbuster comedy "American Pie." Her career has gone on to encompass dozens of films and TV shows, and she has appeared opposite some of the biggest stars in Hollywood, including Jeff Bridges, Julianne Moore, Reese Witherspoon, Richard Gere and many more. She's been on the cover of scores of entertainment and fashion magazines, and now she can be seen in the new horror film "Incubus," the first Hollywood movie distributed exclusively on the Web. "Incubus," about a bunch of teens trapped in an abandoned medical facility with a deranged killer who can control their dreams, can be downloaded on AOL's new teen portal RED at www.beRED.com

Early in your career you were in TV commercials for Jell-O and McDonald's. Do you still eat that stuff?

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You shot "Incubus" in Romania. What's Romanian food like?

"Romanian food is weird. It's not something most Americans could get accustomed to. There's a lot of coarse tongue and other unusual stuff. I didn't eat the Romanian food that much when I was there. When I went to Romania I actually lost weight. I'll take McDonald's over Romanian food any day!"

You are always on everyone's list of the sexiest women on the planet. So, what foods and beverages are sexy to you?

"I think the sexiest foods are chocolate and strawberries. That's why on Valentine's Day, 'The Love Day,' I think everyone should go out and buy chocolate and strawberries for their mate. And if you are really lucky you might get a chocolate-covered strawberry. You can't beat that."

Tell us about your comfort foods, items you enjoy alone at home.

"I don't really enjoy eating anything alone at home. I like to eat with my friends. I think eating is a social thing to do. Sometimes on Sundays, we eat pizza and watch football, or we might barbecue some chicken and steaks on the grill. I don't really have a specific comfort food. Whatever I eat when I'm with my friends, call it 'social food,' that's what makes me happy."

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TARA'S FAVORITE BARBECUED CHICKEN

- *1/4 cup chipotle peppers in adobo sauce*
- *Nonstick spray coating*
- *1/3 cup finely chopped onion*
- *3 cloves garlic, minced*
- *1 cup ketchup*
- *3 tablespoons white wine vinegar*
- *3 tablespoons molasses*
- *1 tablespoon Worcestershire sauce*
- *6 medium skinless boneless chicken breast halves, 1 1/2 pounds total*

For the sauce, remove any stems from chipotle peppers. Place peppers and adobo sauce in a blender. Cover and blend until smooth. Set aside. Lightly cover a medium saucepan with nonstick coating. Cook onion and garlic in saucepan until tender. Stir in chipotle peppers, ketchup, vinegar, molasses and Worcestershire sauce. Bring to boil. Reduce heat. Simmer uncovered for about 10 minutes or until mixture is slightly thickened. Meanwhile, rinse chicken and pat dry with paper towels. Grill chicken on rack of uncovered grill directly over medium coals, 12 to 15 minutes or until chicken is tender and no longer pink, turning once halfway through grilling time and brushing on sauce the last 5 minutes. Bring remaining sauce to boil and pass with chicken. Sauce may be refrigerated up to a week. Makes 6 servings.

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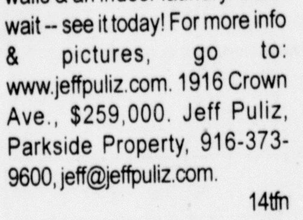

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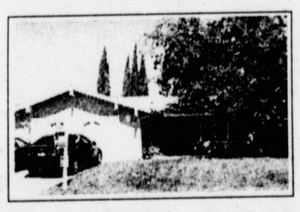

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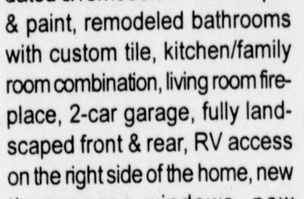

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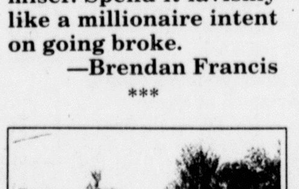

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On Dec. 4, 1936, actress Tallulah Bankhead auditions unsuccessfully for the role of Scarlett O'Hara in "Gone With the Wind." Vivien Leigh later auditioned and won the part.

On Dec. 5, 1945, five U.S. Navy Avenger torpedo-bombers take off from the Ft. Lauderdale Naval Air Station in Florida on a routine three-hour training mission and never return. The bombers flew over the Bermuda Triangle, an area of the Atlantic Ocean where ships and aircraft are said to disappear without a trace.

On Dec. 6, 1955, the Federal government standardizes the size of license plates throughout the U.S. Previously, individual states had designed their own license plates.

On, Dec. 10, 1974, Arkansas Democratic Representative Wilbur Mills resigns as chairman of the Ways and Means Committee. Mills had been stopped by Washington park police while driving at night, intoxicated, with his lights off. His companion, who jumped into the Tidal Basin, was later identified as a popular stripper who went by the names "Fanne Foxe" and the "Argentine Firecracker."

On Dec. 7, 1982, the first execution by lethal injection takes place at the state penitentiary in Huntsville, Texas. Charles Brooks, Jr., convicted of murdering an auto mechanic, received an intravenous injection of sodium pentathol.

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By Samantha Mazzotta

Low-Stress Holidays

Q. I am so tired of putting up tons of lights and decorations all around my house each holiday season! But I feel like I have to do it to put my family in good spirits and to help the neighborhood look festive. By the time Christmas rolls around I'm exhausted from decorating, parties, cooking and baking and wrapping gifts, and then I have to take everything down. Do you have any tips for making the decorating process a little less painful each year? — *Had It in Little Rock*

A. I've got three tips for you that may help improve your holiday experience: scale back, organize and delegate.

First, why keep up with everyone else? If your yard doesn't have the most awesome holiday decorations in the neighborhood, it's really not that big of a deal. In fact, most of my neighbors say they prefer a neatly kept yard to a bunch of gaudy decorations. So this year, consider scaling back your decorating and keeping get-togethers casual. A simple wreath on the door or mailbox will do. If you must have lights and stringing them along the eaves is frustrating, check out some of the outdoor lighting options that have sprung up recently, such as pre-shaped patterns that stand in the yard, or mesh light webs that can be quickly slipped over hedges or topiaries.

Second, organizing tasks throughout the month will help immensely. Schedule times for decorating, wrapping, shopping and cooking. Place the items you will need in an area where they are easily accessed (such as grouping all ornaments and assorted tools in a large box in the garage). List anything that is missing or needs to be purchased so you can buy it all in one shopping trip.

Lastly, the holidays are a time to be together with family, so use them to the fullest! Assign many of the tasks you normally do yourself to others. This includes children, who love to help decorate, wrap gifts and ice cookies. And keep it fun. So what if a bow is crooked, a present is lumpy, or the lawn decorations aren't perfect? The little glitches are the things you'll remember fondly years down the road.

Send questions or home-repair tips to homeguru2000@hotmail.com, or write This Is a Hammer, c/o King Features Weekly Service, P.O. Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475.

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home tip

Save the cardboard tubes after the wrapping paper is gone — they can be used to hold and store strings of Christmas lights after the holidays.

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NOTICE OF HEARING
December 7, 2006

The West Sacramento Planning Commission will consider the following matters on Thursday, December 7, 2006, at West Sacramento Civic Center, City Council Chambers, 1110 West Capitol Avenue, West Sacramento, California, at the times as specified or as soon thereafter as the matters may be heard:

6:00 p.m.

CONSENT AGENDA

REGULAR AGENDA

1) Public Hearing on River Glen Estates Tentative Subdivision Map No. 4857 (Hamilton)

The applicant is requesting approval of a tentative parcel map to subdivide one existing parcel totaling ±10 acres into eight clustered residential lots, one public open space lot and one drainage channel lot. The open space lot will become part of the City's recreational trail system. The drainage channel lot will accommodate the existing RD 900 Main Drain canal. The project address is 3245 Marshall Road, located on the south side of Marshall Road, east of Otis Avenue, adjacent to the RD 900 Main Drain canal. The property is zoned RE (Rural Estate); APN 045-260-07. A Mitigated Negative Declaration has been prepared on this project. APPLICANT: Wecker Surveys, 1111 Kennedy Place, Suite 4, Davis, CA 95616. Attn: Craig Wecker. OWNER: Sean & Jaime Henegar, 3245 Marshall Road, West Sacramento, CA 95691.

2) Sacramento Stucco Relocation Conditional Use Permit Major Modification (CUP #06-10) (white)

Sacramento Stucco Company Inc. is requesting approval of a major modification to a conditional use permit to relocate the existing facility from 860 Riske Lane to 1550 Parkway Boulevard. The project site includes 4.9 acres developed with a 73,000 square foot concrete tilt-up building. The project also includes the construction of a 12,295 square foot warehouse building, the extension of an existing rail spur, and the construction of four 42-foot tall silos, eighteen 50-foot tall silos and a 200 square foot baghouse. The property is zoned M-2 (Heavy Industrial). A Mitigated Negative Declaration has been prepared for the project in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines. APPLICANT/OWNER: Sacramento Stucco Company Inc. 860 Riske Lane, West Sacramento, CA 95691.

3) The Bounce Spot Conditional Use Permit (CUP #06-16) (Allen)

The applicant is requesting a Conditional Use Permit to operate an indoor recreation facility at 2939 Promenade Street (APN 72-141-05). The property is zoned M-1 (Light Industrial) and is located within the Promenade Industrial Park. The proposal's primary use is "bounce houses" inside the facility. The facility would contain three bounce rooms, four party rooms, and additional office/lobby space. The facility would available for private parties and also have drop-in availability. A Negative Declaration has been prepared for this project in compliance with CEQA Guidelines. APPLICANT: Comstock Johnson Architects, Inc., 10520 Armstrong Avenue, Mather, CA 95655. OWNER: Vladimir & Lubov Mysin, 8117 Ella Court, Citrus Heights, CA 95610.

4) Public Workshop on River Park General Plan Amendment, Framework Plan Amendment, Rezoning, Large Lot Tentative Map, and Planned Development (GPA 04-01) (tilley)

This item is a public workshop on the proposed River Park master plan project in the southeast village of Southport. The master plan area is generally located south of Davis Road and east of the former Yolo Shortline railroad tracks. The ±495 acre master plan area is currently planned for residential development ranging from low to high densities, neighborhood commercial, WRC, elementary school, open space, and parkland uses. The Project would amend the current land use designations to support development of approximately 2,788 residential units (including rural residential, low-, medium-, and high-density residential areas), a ±40-acre regional park, and community open-space areas. The Project would represent an increase of approximately 900 residential units compared to what was considered by the Southport Framework Plan EIR. Requested entitlements include a General Plan amendment, rezoning, planned development standards, large lot tentative map, and a development agreement. A possible marina at the site of the former Four Seasons marina is also being considered on a programmatic basis. An EIR has been prepared and circulated and the Final EIR is currently being prepared.

The purpose of the workshop is to re-introduce the whole of the project to the Planning Commission and additional workshops will likely be scheduled in the first quarter of 2007. APPLICANT/OWNER: Richland Planned Communities, 2220 Douglas Boulevard, Suite 290, Roseville, CA 95670.

Steve Rikala, Secretary
West Sacramento Planning Commission

If you challenge any of the above items in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the City of West Sacramento at, or prior to, the public hearing.

Nov 22

Fictitious Business Name Statement
Filed Nov 1 2006
File No. 2006-1045

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Rajesh Ram, 8183 Heather Grove Ct., Sacramento CA 95828.

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/s/Rajesh Ram

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Local Scene

Little League

West Sacramento Little League is taking registration for the Spring 2007 season. Register at www.WESTSACLL.com. For information, contact Rick Hart at Rick@sierrahart.net or (916) 417-8406.

Holiday gathering

The "OutA Sight Group, Inc." will have its holiday gathering on Tuesday, Dec. 5, from 11:30-2 at the Lions Club House, 417 Lincoln St. in Woodland. Pot luck. For information, call (530) 662-0535 or 662-9579.

Auditions

Children age 10-18 are invited to audition for a "performance master class" that will culminate in a performance of the musical "Oliver!" at the Woodland Opera House. Auditions will be held at the Opera House, 340 2nd Street in Woodland, at 6:30 p.m. on Dec. 6 and 7. Bring a prepared song and sheet music, for a song from a musical other than "Oliver!" No tapes or CDs. Dress to move. Tuition for the class is $100. Subjects include vocal technique, choreography and characterization. Auditions for "The Magicians Nephew" are scheduled for Dec. 12-13. Call (530) 666-9617.

Moose Events

The West Sacramento Moose Lodge will hold a 'Cajun Nite' on Sat., Dec. 2, from 8:30 p.m. to midnight at 3240 Jefferson Blvd. Cover charge of $15; live music; food available for purchase from 6-8:30 p.m. The lodge will celebrate New Year's Eve on Dec. 31 with a steak dinner; $40 per person beginning at 6 p.m. and including dancing from 9-1. Advance tickets only for the New Year's Eve event; call Buddy Linker, (916) 718-4175.

Scrooge & friends

The West Sacramento Community Theater will present "It Happened One Christmas," a musical tale based on Dickens' "A Christmas Carol," at 7 p.m. on Dec. 8, 9, 15 & 16 at the Yolo High School Auditorium, 915 Westacre Road. Drama, humor & carols. $8 general admission and $5 for seniors over 55 and for students. Purchase tickets at the door or at Southport Coffee, 1350 Harbor Blvd. Call (916) 491-1085 for details.

Taco night

The West Sacramento Moose Lodge will hold a "taco night" on Friday, Dec. 8, from 6:30-8:30 p.m. for $5/person. The event benefits the West Sacramento Christmas Basket Project, and will be held at 3240 Jefferson Blvd.

Heroes

The Yolo/Lake county chapter of the American Red Cross will honor "local heroes" with a luncheon on Dec. 7 at the UC Davis campus. Among the people honored will be West Sacramento firefighter Jeff Bohnet, who shielded a man an a burning car after a vehicle accident. Tickets are $30, advance only. Call (530) 662-4669.

World AIDS Day

Sections of a quilt memorializing victims of HIV/AIDS will be on display at three Yolo County locations through Dec. 1, as part of a world-wide observance of World AIDS Day. A section can be viewed at the UC Davis Memorial Union Art Gallery through Dec. 1, and a section will be on display at the County Fair Mall on Dec. 2-3 from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. (10 p.m. on Saturday). Part of the quilt will also be on display at Sacramento City Hall, 915 I St., from 6:30-8:30 p.m. on Dec. 1. The Yolo County Health Department estimates that over 200 Yolo County residents live with AIDS, and at least 112 have lost their lives to the disease. Call the department at (530) 666-8645 for more information on the quilt or on the disease.

Christmas party

A Christmas party for kids will be held at 2 p.m. on Dec. 10 at the Bryte Memorial Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #9498, 1708 Lisbon Avenue. Any child 10 and under, accompanied by an adult, is invited. Santa will visit, and there will be a clown, cookies and ice cream. Call 371-9126.

Adopt a family

You or your organization are invited to "adopt" a family at the Transitional Housing Program and help make sure the children experience a good Christmas. Donate or purchase a toy or item or clothing, or do more if your budget allows. The families are at the center while trying to change the circumstances that rendered them homeless. Call Sharon Wagner, 372-0200 ext. 114.

Visit Clarksburg

You're invited to "make the nice drive" south to Clarksburg for the annual holiday bazaar on Dec. 2 at the Community Church. The bazaar features home-baked goods for sale as well as crafts and a raffle. Proceeds support charities such as the Yolo Hospice.

For the troops

The West Sacramento Rotary Club's "Operation Shoebox" continues its effort, aiming to send a box of essentials and treats to U.S. servicepeople on the front lines. You're welcome to participate by donating a shoebox of non-perishable food (jerky, hard candy, granola bars, pop-top cans of pasta, instant coffee, etc.), reading materials, music, toiletries and your notecard. Please include a check for $5-$10 to cover shipping made out to Rotary Club of West Sacramento, taped to outside of box. Deliver by Dec. 1 to the Chamber of Commerce (1414 Merkley Ave.) or First Northern Bank, 1300 Harbor Blvd. For more information on what to donate, contact Eric Ketelsen, 375-3384 or eketelsen@thatsmybank.com.

Dickens

'Dickens in the Valley,' a special holiday home tour presented by the "Meals on Wheels" program, will be held from 11-4 on Sat., Dec. 2. The fundraiser will benefit the "Meals on Wheels" program serving seniors. At least six beautiful, holiday-decorated Woodland homes will be featured on the tour. $25/person or $20/person for groups of 15 or more. Shuttle service between homes is offered, as well as coffee and treats. For information, call (530) 662-7035.

Salud's 35th

Salud Clinic will celebrate 35 years of health care service to West Sacramento with a party on Wed., Nov. 29, from 5:30-7:30 p.m. at 500 B Jefferson Blvd. Program begins at 6 p.m. Refreshments.

Christmas project

The annual community Christmas Basket Project, sponsored by a large local coalition of groups, is again gearing up to provide holiday food baskets at Christmas-time to needy residents. If you can donate canned goods, baby food or toys, prepare lunch for volunteers or make a cash donation, call 372-3360. Or send a check to the West Sacramento Christmas Basket Project, PO Box 1236, West Sacramento CA 95691.

Senior housing

Looking for affordable senior housing? A 59-unit senior housing project is scheduled to open in January. Visit www.cityofdavis.org/housing/affordable or call (530) 757-5691.

Charter school

Delta Elementary Charter School, a new kindergarten-through-sixth grade charter school in Clarksburg, is accepting signups for the 2007-2008 year. Visit www.friendsofclarksburgschools.org and click on "contact" to be sent an enrollment form. A bilingual community meeting is planned for 6:30 p.m. on Nov. 30 at the Clarksburg library activity room, 52915 Netherlands Road.

Women's awards

Soroptimist International of West Sacramento is seeking nominations for two awards. The "Violet Richardson Award homors women age 14-17 for volunteer actions, and the "Women's Opportunity Awards" program gives cash grants for women seeking to improve their employment status through additional education and skills training. To make a nomination and for other information, call Irene Eklund at 371-2256, or email nelske@charter.net.

Coats needed

News 10 is again sponsoring a "Coats for Kids" drive, asking for new or gently-used coats of all sizes, for cleaning by Swanson's Cleaners and distribution to the needy. For a list of drop-off points, visit news10.net or call 321-3362. You may also make a cash donation to help provide coats by making a check out to "Coats for Kids" and sending it to the Salvation Army, PO Box 340699, Sacramento CA 95834.

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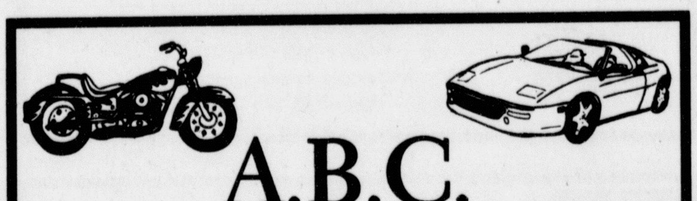

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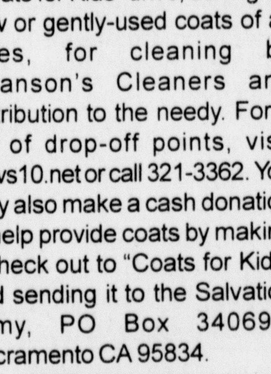

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1.99

Yuban Ground Coffee
Stop Sign Savings...3.49
5.49

Washington
Fresh Fuji Apples
1.38 lb.
Save 61¢ lb.

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WHERE QUALITY & PRICE MATTER

All Stop Sign Savings are limited to 4 items per household through the sales effective dates unless otherwise noted. We reserve the right to limit individual purchases to four packages of any item for sale, except items where otherwise noted. Sale items are not available to any commercial dealer or wholesaler. Items are subject to stock on hand. All items not available at all stores. Photos & Illustrations are for display purposes only and do not necessarily depict items that are on sale. We reserve the right to correct all printed and/or typographical errors. This advertisement was created for Nugget Markets by Daily Design-Sacramento, CA. ©2006

GROCERY

Mojave California Chili Pods
3 oz. Package
Stop Sign Savings.... 50¢
1.49

Mojave Corn Husks
8 oz. Package
Stop Sign Savings.... 60¢
1.99

Ma-Se-Ca Corn Flour Mix
4.4 Lb. Bag
Stop Sign Savings...70¢
2.49

Mission Flour Tortillas
8 Inch. 10 Count Package
Stop Sign Savings.... 70¢
1.79

Ortega Chiles
Whole or Diced.
7 oz. Can
Stop Sign Savings.... 74¢
1.25

Tapatio Hot Sauce
10 oz. Bottle
Stop Sign Savings.... 30¢
99¢

Mojave Cinnamon Sticks
1.25 oz. Package
Stop Sign Savings.... 10¢
89¢

Guerrero Tostada Norteñas
13.25 oz. Package
Stop Sign Savings.... 70¢
1.99

Ibarra Chocolate
18.6 oz. Package
Stop Sign Savings.... 40¢
2.49

Mahatma Long Grain Rice
5 Lb. Bag
Stop Sign Savings...1.60
3.49

Kikkoman Soy Sauce
20 oz. Bottle
Stop Sign Savings... 1.21
2.48

Yolo Vineyards California 100% Extra Virgin Olive Oil
16.9 oz. Bottle
Stop Sign Savings... 3.00
11.99

Better Than BOGO
Ronzoni Healthy Harvest Pasta
Selected Varieties.
12-13.25 oz. Package
Stop Sign Savings... 1.20
99¢

American Beauty Pasta
Lasagne 16 oz. or
Manicotti 8 oz. Package
Stop Sign Savings.... 89¢
99¢

Oberto Jerky
Selected Varieties.
4 oz. Package
Stop Sign Savings... 1.00
4.99

Fisher Peanuts
Selected Varieties.
40-44 oz. Jar
Stop Sign Savings... 2.00
4.99

Nugget Coffee
Selected Varieties.
16 oz. Package
Stop Sign Savings...3.30
6.69

Kraft Shake 'n Bake
Selected Varieties.
5.5-7 oz. Package
Stop Sign Savings...1.20
1.99

Girard's Salad Dressing
Selected Varieties.
12 oz. Bottle
Stop Sign Savings...1.40
2.99

Kellogg's Raisin Bran Cereal
20 oz. Package
Stop Sign Savings...30¢
2.98

Windex Cleaner
Selected Varieties.
26 oz. Bottle
Stop Sign Savings... 1.70
2.99

Zee Rainbow Napkins
360 Count Package
Stop Sign Savings.... 90¢
2.49

Tide Laundry Detergent
Selected Liquid Varieties.
100 oz. Jug
Stop Sign Savings... 2.50
6.49

Bounce Fabric Softener
80 Count Dryer Sheets
Stop Sign Savings... 1.00
3.99

NATURAL LIVING

Zand Insure Herbal Immune Support
This formula features the renowned American botanicals echinacea and goldenseal in a base of red clover, burdock, ginger root, and other cleansing and relaxing herbs.
2 oz. Bottle
Stop Sign Savings...1.00
11.99

Burt's Bees Head to Toe Kit
Pamper, cleanse and moisturize your entire body ... naturally! You'll love this special selection of sample-size creams, cleansers, lotions and balms, packaged in a convenient zippered pouch that is ideal for traveling and gift giving. Single Count
Stop Sign Savings...1.00
11.59

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Check out our selection of liquor gift p
stores. All these items offer a little s
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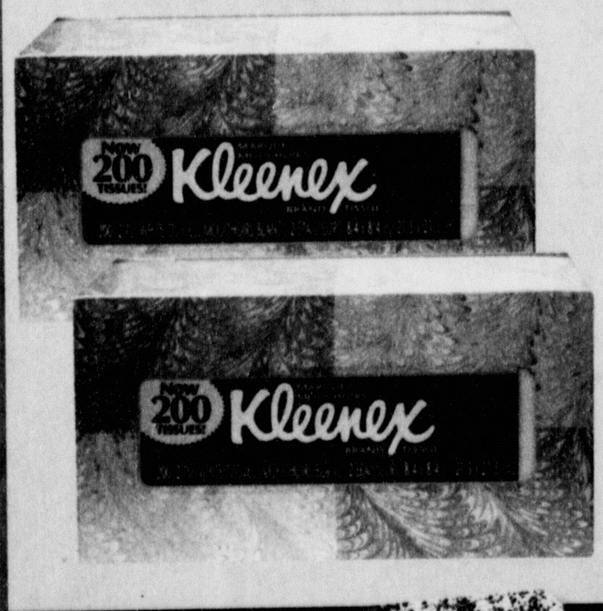
Cutty Sark Poker Set
750 ml. Bottle
Stop Sign Savings...7.00
12.99

Carolan With
750
Stop Sign
8

Bumble Bee Chunk Light Tuna
In Oil or Water.
6 oz. Can
Stop Sign Savings...30¢
59¢

Oroweat English Muffins
Selected Varieties.
6 Count Package
Save up to 1.58 on 2
2 $5 for

Frito Lay Family Size Snacks
Selected Varieties.
16.5-24 oz. Bag
Save 1.98 on 2
2 $7 for



Kleenex Facial Tissue
Selected Varieties.
184-200 Count Package
Save 76¢ on 2
2 $3 for

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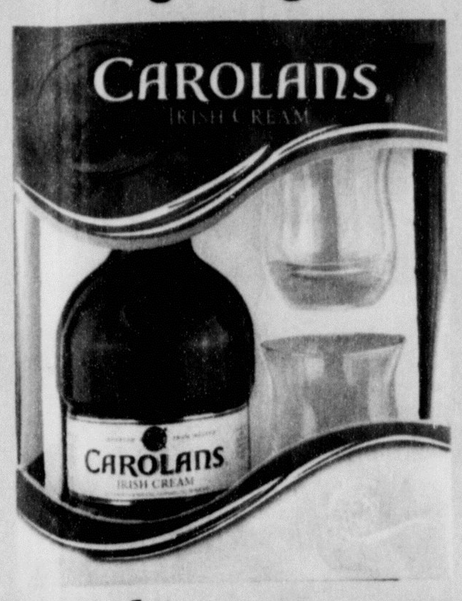


Carolans Cream With Glasses

750 ml. Bottle

Stop Sign Savings...7.00

8.99

Van Gogh Vodkas

750 ml. Bottle with Eight
50 ml. Bottles and Martini Recipe CD.

Stop Sign Savings...6.00

25.99

Wolfgang Puck Soup

Selected Varieties.
14.5 oz. Can

Save 6.96 on 4

4 for $5

Quaker Instant Oatmeal

Selected Varieties.
10.5-16.2 oz. Package

Save 4.18 on 2

2 for $5

Pepsi, Diet Pepsi, Dr Pepper or Aquafina Water

Selected Varieties. 12/12 oz. Cans
or Aquafina Bottles

Save up to 1.98 on 2

2 for $8 +crv

Angel Soft Bathroom Tissue

24 Roll Package

Stop Sign Savings...3.00

4.99

BEVERAGE

Beaulieu Vineyards Beauzeaux

Fun and spicy, a great wine to pair with pizza!
750 ml. Bottle
* While supplies last

Stop Sign Savings...3.00

8.99

Mirassou Wines

Selected Varieties.
750 ml. Bottle

Stop Sign Savings... 2.00

6.99

Frei Brothers Chardonnay or Merlot

750 ml. Bottle

Stop Sign Savings...6.00

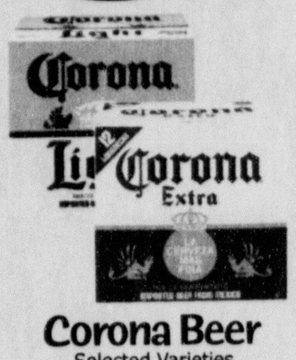
11.99

Winter's Bourbon Cask Ale

6 Pack/12 oz. Bottles

Stop Sign Savings... 1.00

5.99 +crv



Corona Beer

Selected Varieties.
12 Pack/12 oz. Bottles

Stop Sign Savings... 4.90

10.99 +crv

St. Pauli Girl Beer

12 Pack/12 oz. Bottles

Stop Sign Savings... 4.00

8.99 +crv

Canadian Mist Whisky

1.75 Liter Bottle

Stop Sign Savings... 5.00

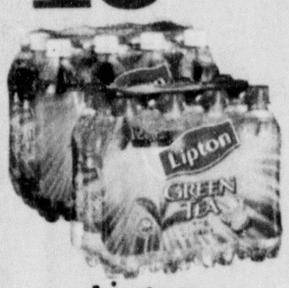
12.99

Pepsi Cola, 7•Up or Dr Pepper

Selected Varieties.
2 Liter Bottle

Save up to 1.76 on 4

4 for $5 +crv



Lipton Iced Tea

Selected Varieties.
12 Pack/16.9 oz. Bottle

Stop Sign Savings.... 70¢

5.99 +crv

Lakewood Organic Juices

32 oz. Bottle

Stop Sign Savings...1.20

3.79

Gatorade Thirst Quencher

Selected Varieties.
32 oz. Bottle

Save 2.96 on 4

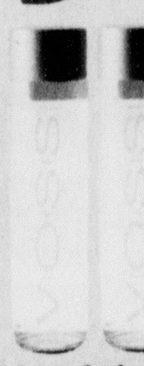
4 for $5 +crv

Alhambra Jr. Sport Water

12 Pack/11.2 oz. Bottles

Stop Sign Savings... 1.40

2.49 +crv



Voss Water

375 ml. Bottle

Stop Sign Savings.... 50¢

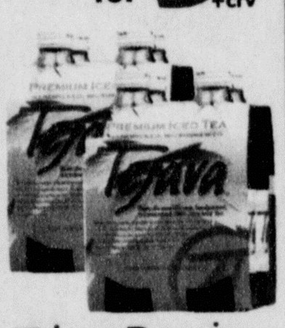
1.49 +crv

Hansen's Natural Soda

Selected Varieties.
6 Pack/12 oz. Cans

Save 2.90 on 2

2 for $3 +crv



Tejava Premium Iced Tea

4 Pack/12 oz. Bottles

Save 1.98 on 2

2 for $5 +crv

MEAT-DELI

Oscar Mayer Sliced Bacon

Selected Varieties.
16 oz. Package

Stop Sign Savings... 2.00

3.99

Foster Farms Turkey Breast

Selected Varieties.
10 oz. Tub

Stop Sign Savings... 1.00

3.39

Foster Farms Franks

Chicken or Turkey.
16 oz. Package

Stop Sign Savings.... 90¢

99¢

Bar S Corn Dogs

3 Lb. Package

Stop Sign Savings... 2.00

4.69

Johnsonville Sausage Links

Selected Varieties.
12 oz. Package

Stop Sign Savings... 1.00

2.69

Better Than BOGO

Kraft American Cheese Singles

12 oz. Package

Stop Sign Savings... 2.20

1.99

El Monterey Cruncheros

Selected Varieties.
11.2 oz. Package

Stop Sign Savings... 1.00

2.89

Gold Rush Cheese

Selected Varieties.
32 oz. Brick

Stop Sign Savings... 2.00

6.79

What Makes Our Beef Better?

It's not just Harris Ranch: it's Harris Ranch Premium Natural Angus Beef:

- Always USDA Choice and Prime.
- Never ever given hormones or antibiotics.
- Always California-grown.
- Always Black Angus.
- Always Source Verified.

Even other Angus programs just don't measure up.

HARRIS RANCH
PREMIUM NATURAL BEEF
• No Added Hormones Ever.
• All Vegetarian Diet.
• No Antibiotics Fed or Administered Ever.

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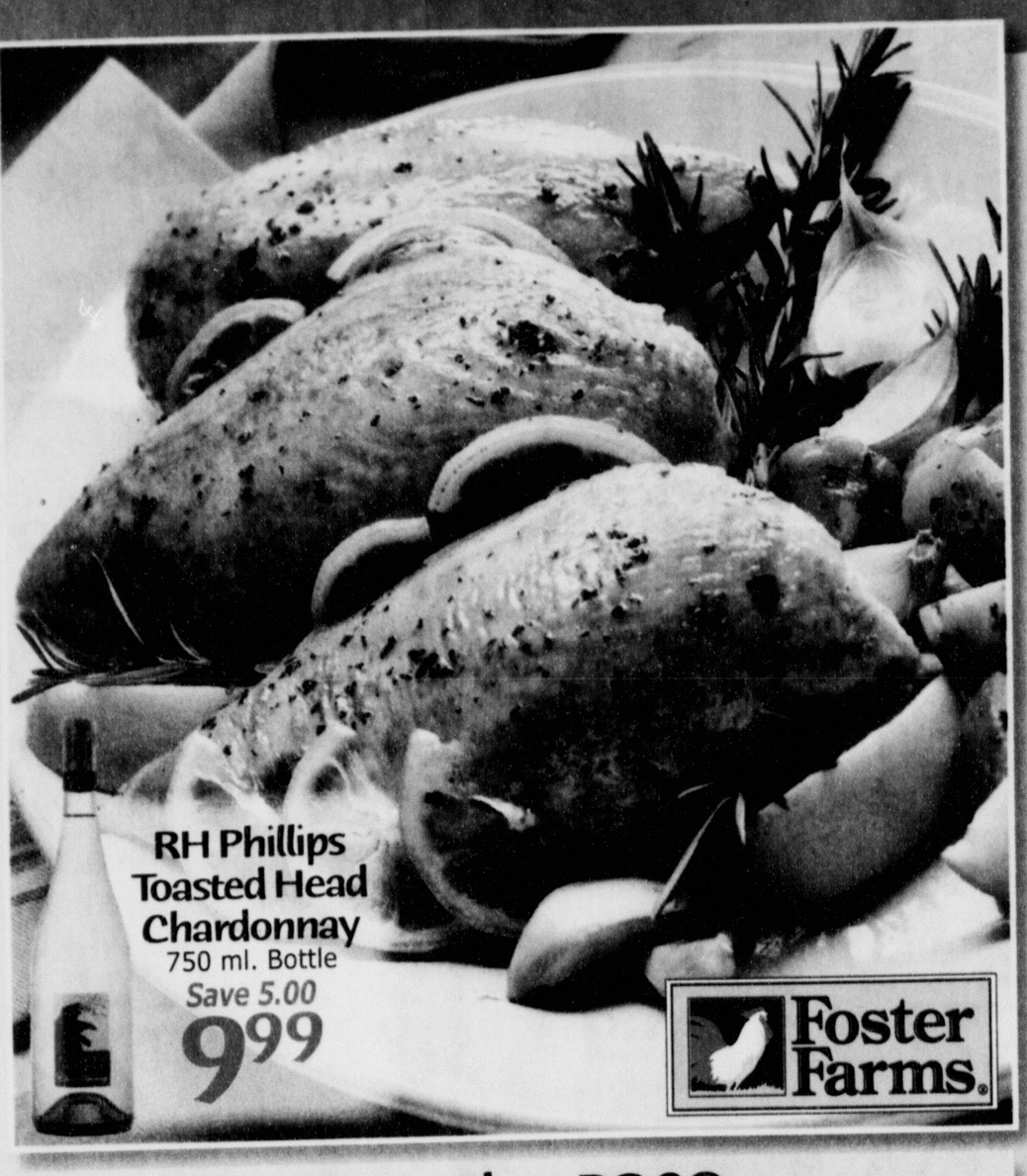
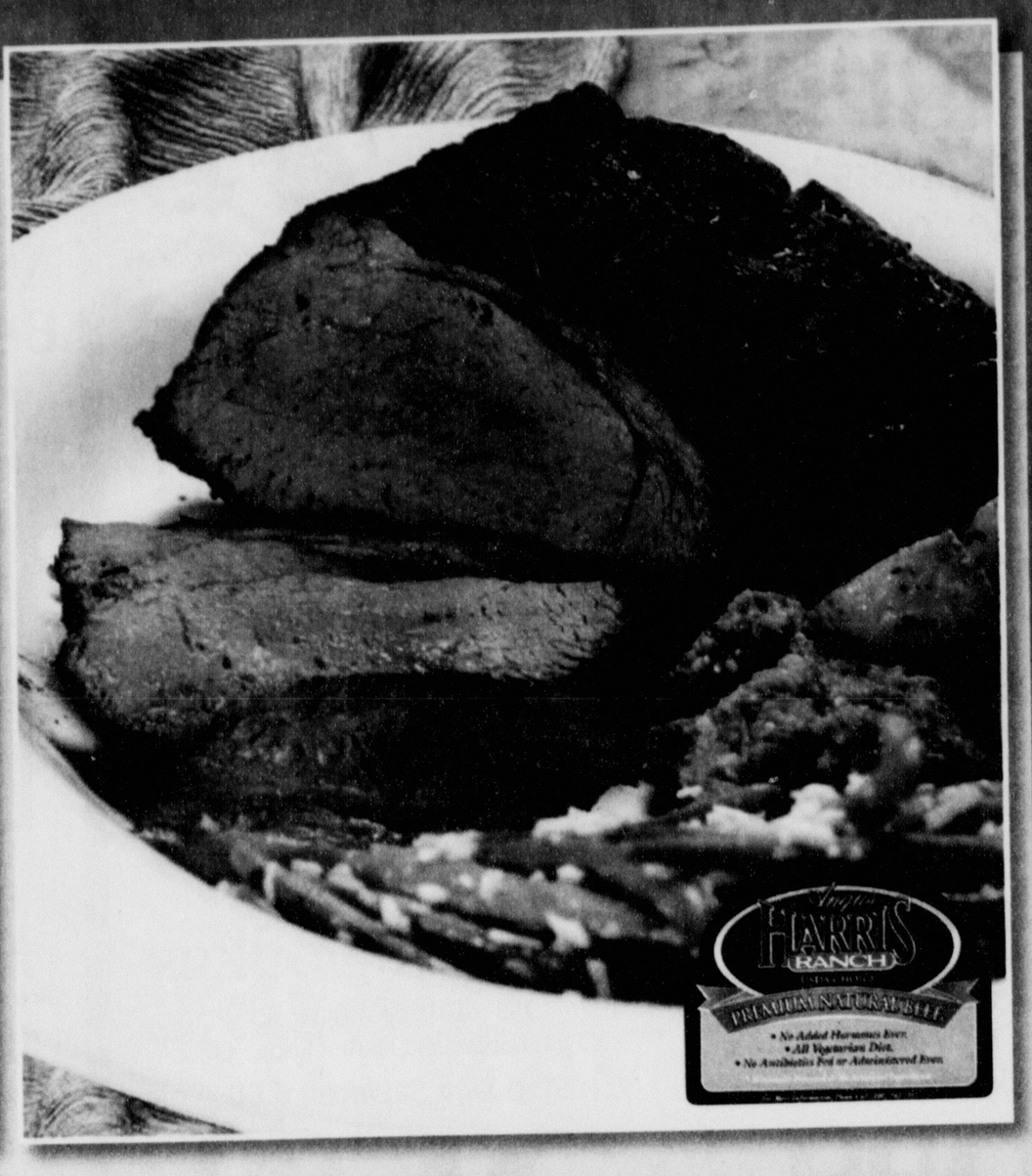
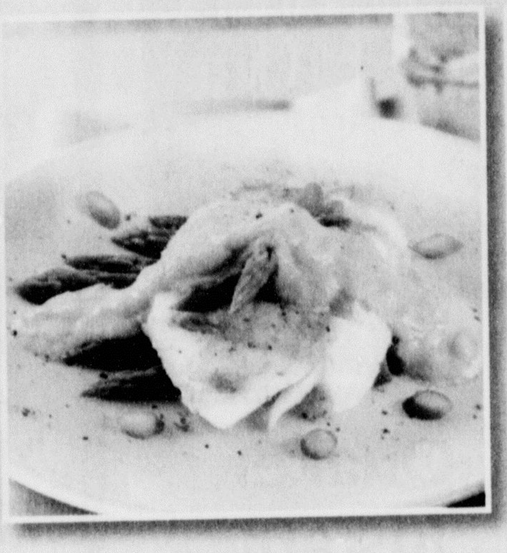




Better Than BOGO

Foster Farms California Grown
Fresh Split Chicken Breasts
In the value pack.
1.17 lb.
Stop Sign Savings...1.52 lb.

Harris Ranch USDA Choice Premium Natural Angus Beef
Cross Rib Roast
2.99 lb.
Stop Sign Savings...2.00 lb.



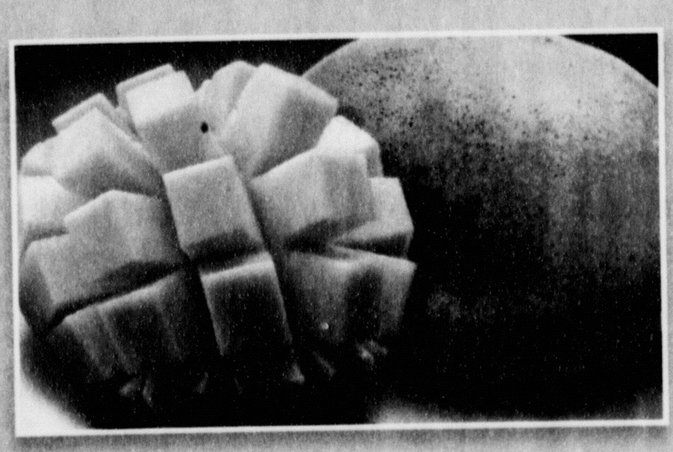
Harris Ranch USDA Choice Premium Natural Angus Beef
Flat Iron Steaks
Stop Sign Savings...1.00 lb.
3.99 lb.

Nugget's Own Fresh Sausage of the Week:
Teriyaki Pineapple
Stop Sign Savings...2.00 lb.
2.99 lb.

Firm and Flaky
Alaskan True Cod
Stop Sign Savings...2.00 lb.
6.99 lb.

Fine Texture and Flavor
Dover Sole Fillets
Stop Sign Savings...1.00 lb.
5.99 lb.

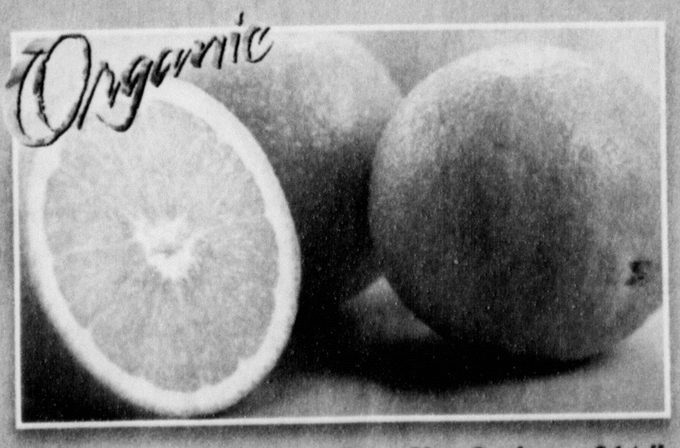
– Fresh Produce Specials –



From Ecuador
Tommy Atkins Mangos
Stop Sign Savings...91¢ ea.
98¢ ea.

Northwest Fresh
D'Anjou Pears
Stop Sign Savings...41¢ lb.
98¢ lb.

Northwest Grown
Fresh Red Potatoes
Stop Sign Savings...21¢ lb.
58¢ lb.



California Grown
Organic Navel Oranges
Stop Sign Savings...91¢ lb.
1.38 lb.

Orr Brothers
Salad Dressing
Made in California. Blue Cheese, Ranch, Caesar or Avocado.
Stop Sign Savings...71¢ ea.
2.98 ea.

Fresh Express
Salad Mix
Spring Mix, Baby Spinach, Sweet Baby, 50/50 Mix or Veggie Spring.
Stop Sign Savings...1.31 ea.
1.98 ea.

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